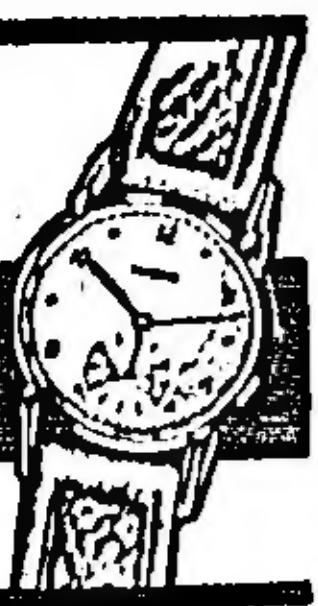


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Close HK To Red China Demand

ANGRY SENATORS

Washington, Dec. 6. Angry Senators demanded on Wednesday that Britain should close Hongkong to any movement of war-useful supplies to the Chinese Communists.

Senator Warren Magnuson, Democrat of Washington, in a bitter speech in the Senate, blamed Britain for most of the strategic materials which have been allowed to reach Communist China.

"The real fault lies with the British," he said. "They are still doing business through Hongkong."

He said he thought the Senate should call the matter to the attention of Mr. Attlee.

"MORAL OBLIGATION" Senator Magnuson spoke amid a chorus of demands that all trade with the Chinese Reds should be cut off immediately.

Senator Herbert O'Connor, Chairman of the Senate Commerce sub-committee which has been investigating exports to the Communists, demanded a complete embargo on all American shipments to China.

Senator Wayne Morse, (Republican of Oregon), said he thought that "in this hour of crisis" the Senators had a right to ask Britain to "live up to her moral obligation to see Hongkong is not used as a means and device for getting war materials to the Reds."

Senator O'Connor said his sub-committee investigations had revealed that quantities of materials far greater than normal had been flowing through Hongkong.—Associated Press.

LEGISLATION

Washington, Dec. 5. Senator Burnet Maybank introduced legislation today which would force President Truman to halt all United States exports to Red China or any other area "under the control of the international Communist movement."

His action came as Senator Herbert O'Connor charged that eight American ships carrying strategic materials—apparently foreign-made—are bound for Hongkong or Communist China. Senator O'Connor's statement touched off clamorous calls for action.

Senator William Knowland said Mr. Attlee should be told that British ships going through Hongkong are "aiding and abetting the Chinese Reds."—United Press.

Carrying A Top Secret



Field Marshal Sir William Slim leaves a Downing Street Cabinet meeting with a folder marked "Top Secret." Picture was taken just before Field Marshal Slim started on his trip to Washington with Mr. Attlee.—AP Picture.

No Separate Peace With Israel

Amman, Dec. 6. Jordan's Premier, Amir Pasha Rifai, announced in Parliament here, amid applause, that peace with the Jews will not be concluded except with the agreement of all Arab States. He told the House of Representatives last night that an imminent conclusion of peace between Jordan and Israel had no place in the intentions, plans or policies of his Government.

His Cabinet had been under fire from all sections of the House over a statement, said to have been unclear, made at last Monday's assumption of office ceremony.

The Government took office on November 4, following the resignation of the former Premier, Said Pasha Mufit. The resignation was stated to be because of ill-health and not connected with the current dispute between Jordan and Israel over a road through a disputed area on the frontier.

Members demanded from the new Government an outline of policy on "such matters as peace, recent Jewish aggression and relations with our ally."—Reuter.

UN Forces In W Korea Escape From Trap

Wonsan Abandoned

FROM JOHN SHAW

Tokyo, Dec. 6. United Nations' forces on the western front of Korea which include two British brigades have now extricated themselves from the Red Chinese trap.

Divisions have regrouped after escaping with comparatively light losses. The uneventful withdrawal southwards continues. The Chinese are following behind at a respectful distance and no clash has been reported for days.

For security reasons daily positions of the United Nations' troops are kept a secret. Neither is any indication being given whether it is intended to halt and fight at any particular defensive line.

The position of the 10th Corps on the eastern side of the peninsula is still precarious. The American 3rd Division has abandoned Wonsan. It was kept out of the Home-for-Christmas offensive towards the Yalu River to garrison the port against guerillas.

Now it has been withdrawn in the direction of Hamhung, 50 miles north. Some troops were evacuated by sea. It is possible they have been sent to keep the way open for marines still trying to get their way out of encircled Hagaru on the southern tip of the Chosin Reservoir.

Everyone believes that the 7th Division, which had reached the Yalu, and three Southern Korean Divisions, which had made big advances along the northeast coast, are being pulled back into Hamhung perimeter.

Again this is something not officially talked about. There is in effect a military market in Korea until diplomats in Washington give the next order.—London Express Service.

NEW DEFENCE LINE Tokyo, Dec. 6. Chinese Reds streamed south today from Pyongyang toward a new Allied defence line in western Korea, despite scorching attacks from US warplanes.

In northeast Korea, a Chinese Communist attack blocked a US rescue column trying to reach trapped US Marines and Infantrymen near the big Changlin Reservoir.

Reinforcements continued to pour into Korea from Manchuria for the already overwhelmed mass of Chinese Communist troops pressing back the United Nations forces on both fronts. General MacArthur reported additional Reds in at least divisions.

Major is 16 air miles inland from the east coast port of Wonsan and nearly 100 miles south of the encircled Americans.—Associated Press.

BREAK-OUT BEGINS

Koto, Korea, Dec. 7. US troops trapped in separate sectors of northeast Korea's Changlin Reservoir area linked up Wednesday in an all-out drive to escape from Chinese Communist encirclement. Marine and Army Infantrymen trapped in Hagaru said only that it ran from a point south of Pyongyang toward the southeast.

The news was sketchy from the northeastern front. Associated Press correspondent Tom Stone reported that a column of the US Third Infantry Division struck out on Wednesday in an effort to reach US Marines and Infantrymen trapped south of the Changlin Reservoir, but that a Chinese attack stopped it only two miles north of Majon.

Major is 16 air miles inland from the east coast port of Wonsan and nearly 100 miles south of the encircled Americans.—Associated Press.

There was heavy resistance all the way. Chinese casualties were described as terrible. During much of the drive the Marines and Infantrymen fought through a blinding snow storm.

Marine, Navy and Air Force planes blasted the Chinese Reds from all sides. The long American column included tanks, trucks and other vehicles.—Associated Press.

More Freedom For Hawkers

Singapore, Dec. 6. Singapore's hawkers, estimated to number more than 20,000, will be allowed to ply their trade in the future with as little restriction as possible.

Municipal commissioners, adopting a report of a hawkers' inquiry commission, expressed the view that causes of corruption would be eliminated if hawkers were given complete freedom.

Honoured



Brigadier Basil Coad, commander of the 27th British Brigade in Korea, who has been awarded the CBE.

Vyshinsky Derides The Peace Appeal

Lake Success, Dec. 6. Russia's Andrei Y. Vyshinsky attacked on Wednesday a 13-nation appeal to Red China to stop at the 38th parallel in Korea. His opposition and reported objections by Red China's envoy here apparently doomed the desperate move of Asian and Middle East countries for an end to the fighting.

Informed diplomats said Wu Hsi-chun, Ambassador of the Chinese Communists, countered the peace appeal on Tuesday night with an unofficial demand to know why it was being sent only to this government. He was said to have insisted it should be sent also to the US, Red China and Russia both charge that the US is the aggressor in Korea.

There was no word from Peking on the peace appeal, and the General Assembly went ahead in an extraordinary session with plans for a fast ending of the crisis. The Assembly voted 81 to five (the Soviet bloc) to send the Political Committee a six-power demand for UN action to stop the Chinese Communists. Four countries, Burma, Afghanistan, India and Indonesia, abstained on this vote.

SAME RESOLUTION Soon after that vote, the six powers—the United States, Britain, France, Cuba, Ecuador, and Norway—circulated the text of a resolution they are putting before the UN. In exactly the same terms of the six-power resolution, the United States last Thursday in the Security Council, the proposal called for withdrawal of Red China's troops from Korea and promised that China's borders with Korea would be protected.

Turning from a long attack on the US in the General Assembly, Mr. Vyshinsky took a dig at the 13-nation appeal in these words: "American armed forces crossed the 38th Parallel with the approval of, among others, the authors of a statement published in the press and emanating from certain powers which now appeal for a halt at the 38th Parallel. These powers supported the campaign of the MacArthur legions beyond the 38th Parallel northward to the Manchurian border at the time, but now they make appeals for a halt at the 38th Parallel."

The 13 countries are India, one of the prime movers; The Philippines, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Indonesia, Burma, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Yemen.

Six of these—Egypt, Iraq, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Syria and Yemen—plus Hashemite Jordan, make up the Arab League, whose Secretary-General put in the plea Wednesday for a Stalin-Truman meeting.

CROSSING SWORDS Mr. Vyshinsky crossed verbal swords with US delegate Warren R. Austin, British Minister of State, Kenneth Younger and Philippine Foreign Minister, Carlos P. Romulo in the Assembly debate on whether to send the Korean crisis to the Political Committee for full discussion.

Mr. Vyshinsky declared there was no need for a meeting.

Truman And Attlee Agree On Fast Building-Up Of Atlantic Defences

SIGNIFICANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Washington, Dec. 6.

President Truman and Prime Minister Attlee served notice on the Communist world on Wednesday night that the Western powers will move urgently and "with energy" in building up Atlantic defences against Soviet aggression.

A White House communique announced that the President and the British leader have reached "full agreement" on that phase of the world crisis.

It was the first real pronouncement of the three-day-old talks that began Monday when Mr. Attlee flew to Washington to confer with Mr. Truman on the grave turn of events arising from the intervention of a million-man Chinese Communist army in Korea.

Behind the formal words of the communique, diplomatic experts read indications to seek to bind together the all-out strength—manpower, material and weapons—of the 12 North Atlantic Treaty nations.

It underscored the British view—shared by many officials here—that the No. 1 concern must be with Europe as the prime centre of defence against Soviet Communism.

Officials said that the Western powers must avoid, if at all possible, tying up their main military strength in any all-out war with China.

However, in a speech before the National Press Club earlier in the day, Mr. Attlee had rejected any "appeasement" of Red China and pledged that his country will fight beside the US in Korea "in fair or foul weather."

Officials said President Truman is also bent against appeasement as a solution of the Korean crisis. They said Mr. Truman firmly believes that if there are any negotiations to settle the Korean warfare, they must be limited to Korea and Korea alone.

They said, for example, that the US government would turn down any suggestion to buy off the Chinese Communist regime by giving them access to Formosa or surrendering Indo-China to Red conquest.

TEXT OF STATEMENT The White House announced: "Prime Minister Attlee and President Truman held their fourth meeting in the Cabinet Room of the White House this afternoon from 3.30 until 4.35.

"There was a full discussion of problems relating to the defence of the North Atlantic community."

"The Prime Minister and the President are in full agreement on the necessity of carrying out urgently plans and programmes developed by the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO)."

"They agreed that, along with other members of NATO, they would go forward with energy in building up the military strength of the Atlantic Community."

Acting Press Secretary Stephen T. Early told newsmen that the two chiefs of state will probably meet again Thursday—and possibly several more times before Mr. Attlee's departure on Friday.—Associated Press.

Mr. Attlee said understanding is the first essential for forming a common policy. The ends which both governments seek, he asserted, "are not in dispute or in doubt."

Referring to the Korean war, he cautioned against what he called short-range views dictated by emotions. Military operations are a means to an end, and in this case the end is to establish conditions for a lasting peace, he said.

The people of the Far East have the right to live together as neighbours, and the long-term objective of the United Nations, having this in mind, should be to try to get rid of the causes of war.—Associated Press.

MOORE UNDERSTANDING As to his talks with Mr. Truman, Mr. Attlee said they were bringing a greater understanding of the different approaches which the two governments make to their common problems.

He also: Defended Britain's recognition of Communist China as simply facing the fact that the Reds rule the whole of the China mainland.

Warned against emotional development of the Korean war policy, saying the Anglo-American peoples should keep their eyes on the long-range objective of securing world peace and respect for international law.

Mr. Attlee said that while the United States is carrying the burden of resisting aggression under the United Nations flag in Korea, "our forces are fighting alongside yours."

"You may be certain," he prepared next continued, "that, in fair or foul weather, where the Stars and Stripes fly in Korea, the British flag will fly beside them. We stand by our duty and we stand by our friends."

He urged avoidance of criticism, saying that what now must be done is "to find how to help those who are bearing this burden" in Korea.

Mr. Attlee spoke at some length about General Mac-

COMMENT OF THE DAY

A Welcome New Policy

WE welcome the announcement that the Urban District Council has decided to change its policy in the matter of issuing licences for retail fish and meat shops. It has long been argued that one method of bringing down the retail prices of fish and meat in the Colony is to encourage the establishment of fishmongers and butchers away from the retail markets. Somewhat belatedly, but not less welcome for that, the UDC has concurred with this suggestion. Correctly, the authorities lay it down that these meat and fish shops must conform to required standards, for protection of the health of the Colony is of even greater importance than having fish and meat available at reasonable retail prices. We believe too, that the UDC could profitably go further and also select areas and districts where these shops could best serve their useful purpose. Decentralisation of the retail market is the primary object, for this seems to offer

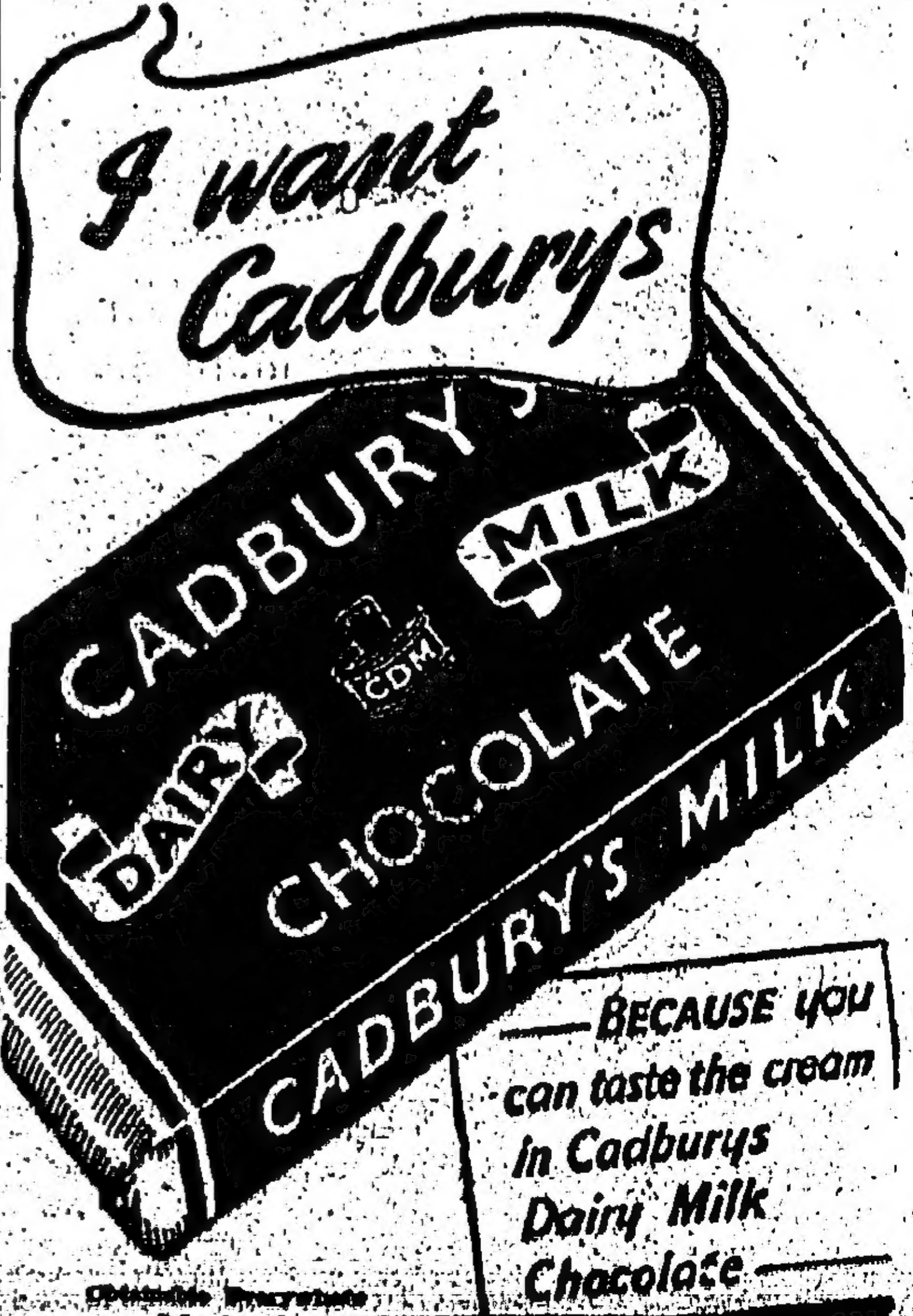
the most effective method of breaking the retail "rings" which now dominate the markets. The ideal would be to have the fishmongers' and butchers' shops properly spaced within say half a mile of the retail markets. This would make them accessible to the public and would enable the shops to maintain a competitive eye on prices. It is recognised that the establishment of these retail shops would not automatically bring down prices, especially if the stores got into the hands of the present manipulators of fish retail prices. Nevertheless, the idea of encouraging competition by the introduction of small fish and meat shops is worthy of a trial and we feel that the UDC should do its utmost to foster practical support for its new policy. There is plenty of room for genuine competition in the retail fish and meat trades, and if the appearance of fishmongers and butchers helps to bring down retail prices, the general public will have good cause to be grateful.

Significant Appointment

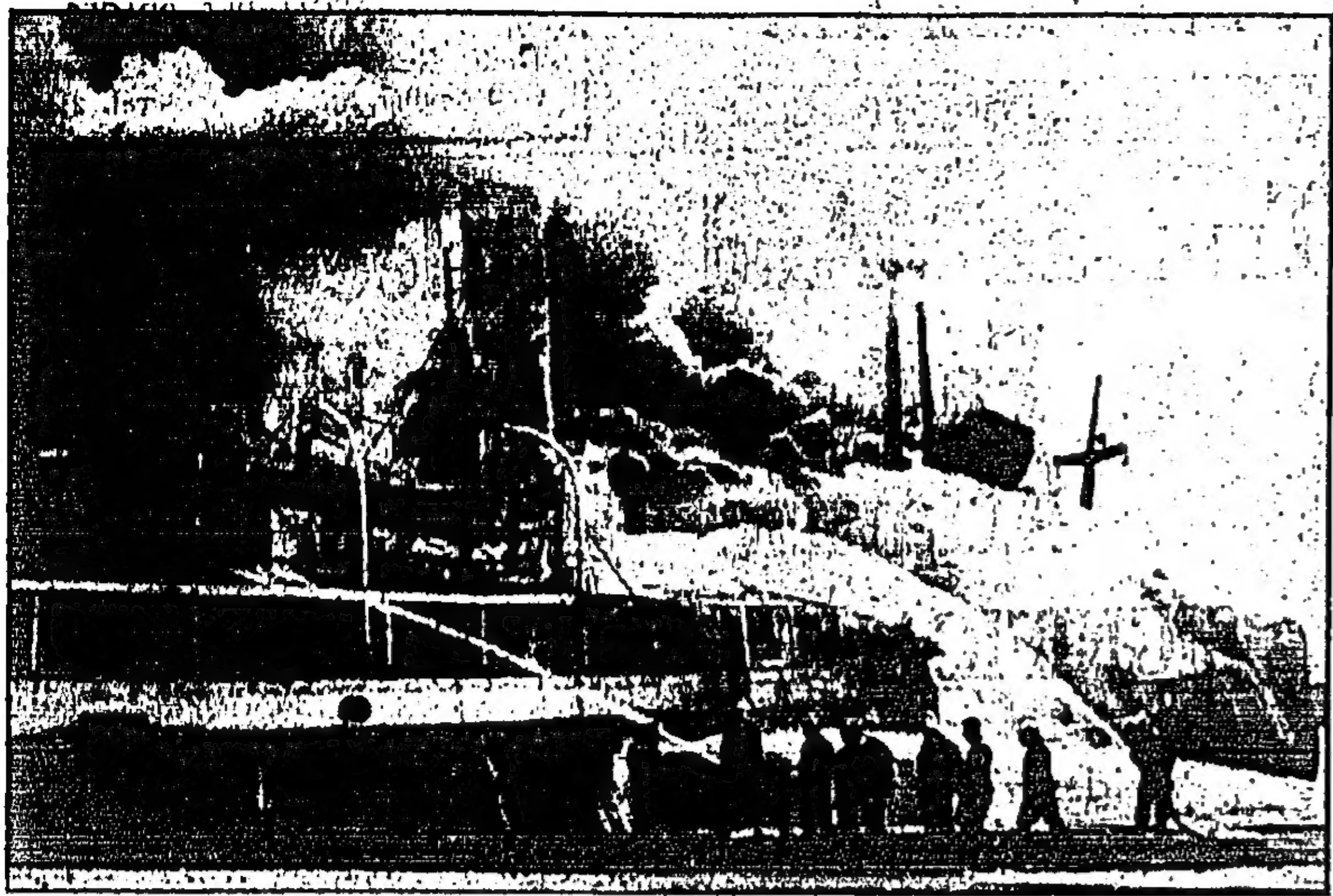
THAT France has appointed her foremost military leader, General de Lattre de Tassigny, as High Commissioner and Commander-in-Chief in Indo-China is a pointer, if such were needed, to the gravity of the situation in that area of the Far East. It also indicates French determination to defend the territory come what may. The tempo of the Vietnam offensive has been increasing since the reverses inflicted on the French in October and there is more than a suspicion that the aid which has been flowing to Ho Chi-minh from the Chinese border may be considerably increased, possibly in the

Appointment

more tangible form of Chinese Communist armies. In the event of a Chinese victory in Korea, France in recent weeks has increased her strength in Indo-China by seven infantry battalions, two artillery groups, a tank regiment, a bomber group and a fighter group, while a trickle of American arms aid has started to arrive. France will need all this, and more, and her Allies will welcome the appointment of General de Lattre. If the Indo-China war should be turned into a wider conflict, as the result of direct Chinese intervention, Indo-China affairs could not be in more capable hands.



Freighter Affire In Suez Harbour



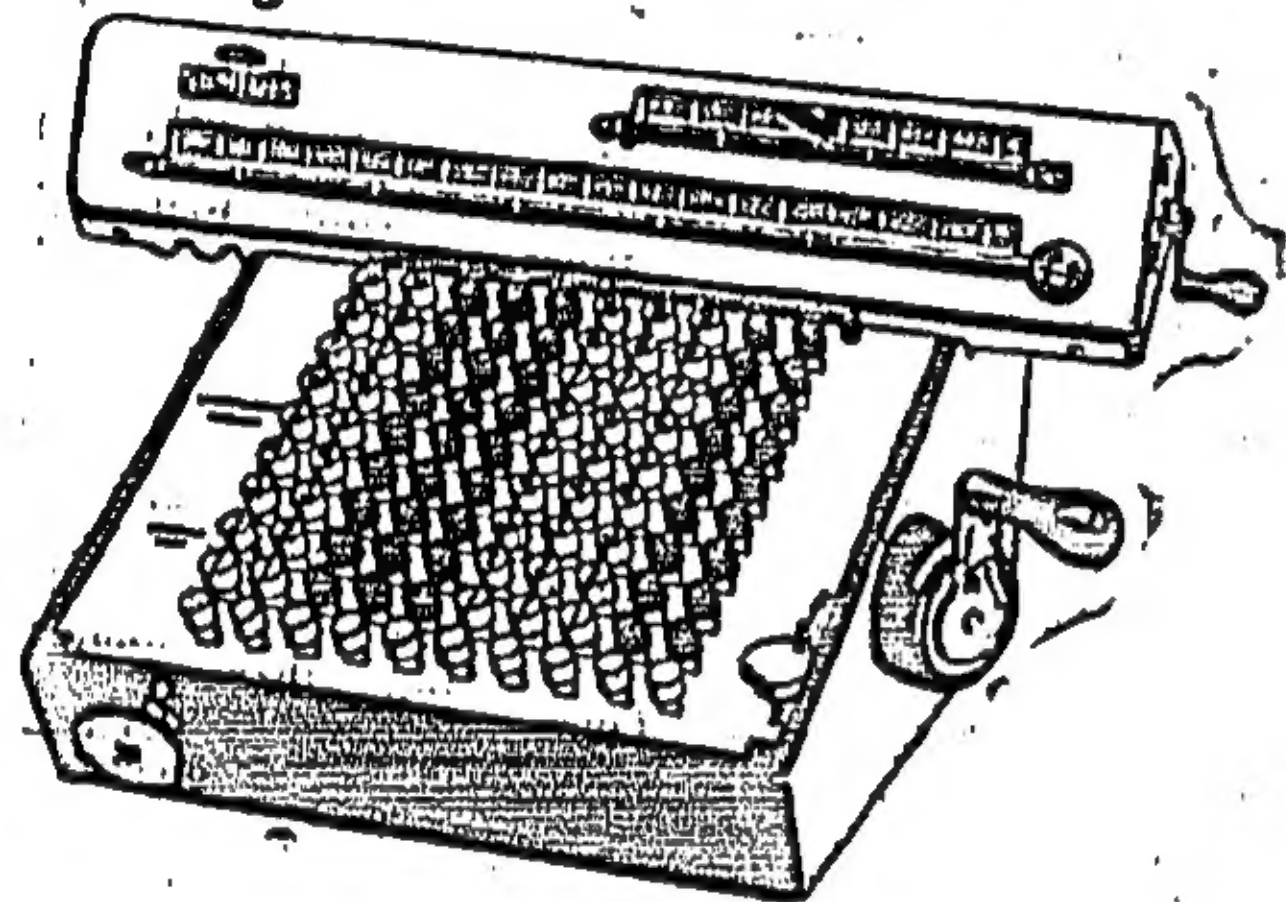
The freighter Eastern Med, of 1,700 tons, owned by the Cyprus Shipping Company, seen ablaze after it caught fire in Suez harbour while loading oil in cans. Two were killed and 18 injured and the vessel sank after 15 hours.—AP Picture.

CRIME ON RAILS

New Delhi, Dec. 6. Mr. K. Santhanam, Minister of States for Railways, disclosing this information in the Indian Parliament, said that 6,800 thefts were also committed in the 12 months ending September this year.



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Eighth Army Retreat Halts On A New Line BUT TOKYO SPEAKS OF EVACUATION

Tokyo, Dec. 6. The retreating United Nations Eighth Army, once more out of contact with hotly pursuing Chinese Communists, paused tonight on a new defence line south of Pyongyang.

But military and diplomatic observers in Tokyo believed that only Chinese acceptance of a cease-fire or a halt at the 38th Parallel could avert a complete United Nations withdrawal from Korea.

Conference On New Guinea

The Hague, Dec. 6. Discussions on the future status of Western New Guinea continued today in the Netherlands-Indonesian conference here. The Indonesian delegation met privately to discuss whether its chief compromise proposal should be submitted to the main conference, due to resume this afternoon.

Though no compromise has yet been officially proposed, it seemed likely that, as a result of the preliminary talks, a joint statement of principle by M. Van Marrewijk, Dutch Minister for Overseas Territories and the Indonesian Foreign Minister, Dr. Mohammed Roem, would be issued.

Working Committees would then get down to details.—Reuter.

Nehru's Visit To London

New Delhi, Dec. 6. The Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, will leave India for London on January 2 to attend the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conference, which opens on January 4.

He will be accompanied by Sir Jirja Shanker Bajpai, Secretary-General of the Ministry of External Affairs, and will be away from India for about a fortnight.—Reuter.

Demand In Britain For A Cease-Fire

London, Dec. 6. A Foreign Office spokesman said today that last night's 13-nation appeal to China and North Korea not to order their armies across the 38th Parallel was "at first sight a most helpful and constructive proposal."

The text of the proposal, made by governments in Asia and the Middle East, was being studied here, he added. London evening papers gave front-page prominence today to the 13-nation appeal. They carried the statement on the appeal issued by the Indian delegates at Lake Success.

The Washington correspondent of the Star, F. H. Powell said that the American State Department seemed to think well of the appeal and there appeared to be a "slight basis for hope of a compromise solution in Korea."—Reuter.

"TIMES" LETTER

London, Dec. 6. A group of British public men have called for a cease-fire in Korea and an invitation to Communist China to sit on the Security Council.

In a letter published in the Times today, they said: "In our view, the United Nations forces have advanced beyond the positions which the repelling of North Korean aggression demanded."

The signatories to the letter included Lord Boyd-Orr, scientist, and Nobel prize winner (1949), the author, J. B. Priestly, and the economist, Mr. D. H. Cole. They urged the United Nations to issue a statement of their intentions, including a declaration that if the Chinese forces halted their offensive, no further United Nations advance would be attempted.

"No bombing operations, atomic or otherwise, should be launched by the United Nations in North Korea or Manchuria."

"The immediate objective must be a cease-fire, followed by the creation of a neutral zone between the contending forces."—Reuter.

United Nations warplanes continued their non-stop attacks on rear areas and supply bases as well as frontline troops.

American pilots claimed that they had "largely destroyed" the town of "Ambyon," some three and a half miles from the east coast port of Wonsan.

Australian Mustangs reported the complete destruction of Koksan, normally a town of 5,000 population.

Rumours here of a "Dunkirk" led to the question "Where is the fleet?"

NAVAL SECRECY

Complete secrecy has been maintained about the movement of the huge armada of warships and transports which landed the victorious army at Inchon 11 weeks ago and then sailed round to the east coast.

The only news received has been that a few Commonwealth destroyers were blockading the mouth of the Yalu River to prevent any Communist movement by sea.

If General MacArthur decided to stand below the Parallel he could muster 200,000 troops against the potential force of 850,000 attributed to the Communists of which only 250,000 are estimated already committed.

But the United Nations would have armoured and artillery superiority as well as complete control of the air.—Reuter.

OVERDOING IT

Hollywood, Dec. 6. Brawny actor Paul Douglas wishes screen star Linda Darnell would not put so much test in her movie set clinics.

After a love scene yesterday Douglas had to have a doctor examine two of his ribs which were cracked two weeks ago in a football scrimmage scene for the same movie.—United Press.

Spanish Disaster

Madrid, Dec. 6. Many people feared to be dead in a collision between

Peking Maintains Silence

Lake Success, Dec. 5. Indian sources said today that the 13-nation appeal to the Chinese Communists not to drive into South Korea went to Peking with the implied assurance that the United Nations would respect the 38th Parallel.

A United States spokesman said later, "The United States delegation has not been asked to give approval to any implications in this appeal nor has it given any favourable or unfavourable comment."

Sir Benegal Rau, inspirator of the appeal to Peking, said he had received no assurance from General Wu Hsiu-chuan that the Chinese Communists would accept the appeal.

A spokesman of the 13-nation appeal believed that the message to Mao will carry no weight unless there is agreement from both the Communists and the United Nations to respect the Parallel as a ceasefire line. This implication was not expressed. But Sir Benegal's emissary, R. Dayal, was understood to have assured the Chinese Communist delegate that this was the real meaning of the Arab-Asian proposal.

The Indians were believed to have made it clear in their talks with the Chinese Communists that if Peking invaded South Korea it would kill any chance of gaining admission to the United Nations.

Asked whether he had received any indication that the Chinese Communists would be willing to halt their forces at the 38th parallel, Sir Benegal said, "No. There has been no indication from them yet. I would be very glad if there had been."—United Press.

ENVOY APPROVED

Washington, Dec. 6. The Senate Foreign Committee today approved the nomination of Mr. Walter Gifford to be United States Ambassador to Great Britain.—United Press.

Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 6. Police said Wednesday that 12 people were killed by avalanches caused by the city's heaviest rains in 61 years and that other dead would probably be found in buried homes.—Associated Press.

Atom Bomb A Symbol Of Incarnate Evil

New Delhi, Dec. 6. Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, Prime Minister of India, said here today that the atom bomb had become the symbol of incarnate evil and hoped there would be no question of it being used now or later. He was opening a foreign affairs debate in the Indian Parliament.

Mr. Nehru said the brunt of the fighting on behalf of the United Nations in Korea had fallen on the United States forces, which had suffered heavily, and the sympathy of the House would go out to them.

There could be no solution of the situation in the Far East unless China was brought into the picture. In any negotiations for a solution, the question of Formosa would also have to be considered though not immediately.

Welcoming the Truman-Attlee talks, Mr. Nehru said the military situation was rapidly changing and he could not make any profitable suggestions as to what should be done.

He could only hope the Washington talks would bear fruit.

Mr. Nehru said there was a good deal in common in India's view on the Far Eastern situation and what the British

Prime Minister had said in regard to it.

APPEAL TO POWERS

Referring to Tibet, Mr. Nehru said he earnestly hoped that the new Chinese Government would try to settle the Tibetan question peacefully.

The Indian Government's talks with two members of the Nepal Government had yielded no results so far, Mr. Nehru said, and he declared that India proposed to continue to recognise the Nepal King (now in Delhi) and saw no reason why she should do anything else.

Mr. Nehru, who was frequently cheered by the House, ended a one-hour speech with an appeal to the great powers to make every effort to solve the present international tangle by negotiation or any other way, provided it was peaceful.

The Government and Parliament of India, he declared, would do everything in their power to promote peace and avoid war.—Reuter.

Pope's Appeal To Catholics

Vatican City, Dec. 6. Pope Pius XII today appealed to all Catholics of the world for public prayers for peace to avert the fearful threat of war. In a letter published in the Vatican newspaper Osservatore Romano, the Pope called on all Catholic bishops to gather their flocks in a Christmas crusade of prayer for concord between peoples. The Pope asked that the prayers for peace should be specially offered on the night before the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8, when he will himself say midnight mass and in the nine days before Christmas.—Reuter.

Senators Caution President

Washington, Dec. 6. Twenty Republican Senators on Wednesday introduced a resolution cautioning President Truman to undertake no commitments with Prime Minister Attlee which are not subject to Senate review in treaty form.

The resolution, introduced by Senator James Kemp, also expressed the belief that President Truman should give the Senate full and complete reports concerning his current conversations with Mr. Attlee.

Senator Henry Cain, also a sponsor of the resolution, called for an immediate balance sheet showing contributions as to manpower and resources which would be made by America's United Nations allies to the common effort. He also asked for speedy action on establishing a mobile and hard-hitting international police force.

Senator Cain told the Senate: "Turkey and Greece must become full and equal members of the Atlantic Pact. Every possibility for having Sweden made a member of the pact must be explored. A military, political and economic understanding ought promptly to be worked out with Spain, and Spain ought to become a full and equal member of the Atlantic Pact. Germany must be made a free and self-governing nation and given its complete right to rearm as it thinks best. Japan must be reconstituted as a nation and given the right and opportunity to rearm."—United Press.

Soviet-Peking Split Hinted

Lake Success, Dec. 6. The Soviet Foreign Minister, Andrei Vyshinsky, told the United Nations today that the nations which have appealed to Communist China to halt at the 38th Parallel were countries that supported "that war maniac MacArthur" when he drove into North Korea.

It was the first reference in the General Assembly to the appeal to Peking issued on Tuesday night by 13 Asian and Arab nations calling for a guarantee that the Chinese Reds would not push southward across the 38th Parallel in pursuit of the retreating United Nations troops.

Mr. Vyshinsky's derogatory reference, for the appeal appeared to indicate a possible split between Moscow and Peking in view of the belief in Washington diplomatic circles that the Chinese Communists had never given India strong indication of willingness to halt their troops at the 38th Parallel.—United Press.

Desert Air Crash

Cairo, Dec. 6. The pilot was reported killed when a Royal Egyptian Air Force fighter plane crashed in the Eastern desert near Cairo today.—Reuter.

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Harwell Working At Record Pace

London, Dec. 6. Britain's atomic energy research station at Harwell is producing radio isotopes at a record rate of nearly 7,000 consignments a year, the Ministry of Supply disclosed today.

"An increasing number of British industrial plants are using them to improve production, cut costs and save time", a Ministry official said.

"Engineering industries in particular find them cheaper and more convenient than X-ray apparatus in photographing the interiors of metal structures."

Radio isotopes are also being used to distinguish the composition of alloys and to measure wear and tear of metals. They can measure the wear of ball bearings down to one-millionth of an inch, enabling them to be made more accurately and faster than ever before.

Textile manufacturers employ isotopes in checking the packing of materials.—Reuter.

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MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



Amazing Find In Manila

Manila, Dec. 7. Police and Finance Department agents discovered US\$100,000 worth of gold and silver in a raid on a Chinese-owned soap factory.

Police said the factory was apparently used for conversion of gold and silver dust into ingots for export. Two Chinese arrested at the plant were charged with illegal possession of contraband goods.

The gold and silver dust was apparently made on the place by grinding down coins or other articles. It was then run through a crude but effective chemical process which separated alloys from the dust, leaving either pure gold or pure silver to be melted down into small bars in a furnace.

Agents have been keeping the place under surveillance for four months as a suspected source of gold and silver being smuggled out of the Philippines to China. A representative of the Chinese Nationalist Embassy was present when the agents started their raid, but no explanation was given.

Three-fourths of the gold mined in the Philippines is sold on the open market legally, but export of the metal is prohibited. The Philippines Government pays 70 pesos (US\$35) per ounce for the other one-fourth of the gold produced here. Open market prices for gold here have ranged upwards of 115 pesos (US\$57.50) per ounce for months.—Associated Press.

PIPES ARE ON WAY OUT

London, Dec. 6. Britons, from Bond Street gentlemen to gruff Cockney dockworkers, are laying aside the pipes which once were closely linked to their way of living.

Pipes are too much trouble and too expensive. An ounce of tobacco costs four shillings—sixpence more than a pack of 20 cigarettes.

The men who make and sell pipes and tobacco are highly disturbed. They have formed the National Pipe Smoking Conference from representatives of associations of retail tobacconists, pipe and pipe tobacco manufacturers and other allied industries.

The conference decided to start a "Smoke a Pipe" campaign. It begins with a contest, first prize £52.10s. for the poster "typifying the satisfaction to be obtained from smoking a pipe."

Donald Dalley, spokesman of the retail tobacconists, wails: "Young people these days never learn the joy and comfort which experienced pipe smokers attain!"—Associated Press.

Snowstorms In America

Chicago, Dec. 6. Snowstorms laid a white blanket over nearly half a million square miles of the United States' mid-section today. In some of the coldest weather of the season, temperature went to 27 degrees below zero at Fraser, Colorado, 24 below at Amestown, North Dakota, and five above at Amarilla in the Texas panhandle.

The storm turned wet and sticky the whole area from Lake Superior to Arkansas and from Iowa to Ohio slowed trains and automobiles and turned streets and highways into icy death traps. In Wichita, Kansas, all public schools and factories were closed.—United Press.

Cabinet Crisis In France Averted At Last Minute

A threatened French Cabinet collapse over German rearmament was stayed off today by behind-the-scenes political manoeuvring, reliable sources said tonight.

The Cabinet met for four hours this morning and then adjourned until 2000 GMT (4 a.m. Thursday, Hongkong time). During the adjournment some compromises had been designed to keep the Socialists from backing out of the Coalition Government. Without them, the Government would come down.

The Socialists threatened to split on the Cabinet backing for the Anglo-American formula of including German troops in the Western defence mechanism.

The compromise was not disclosed, but reports said that former Premier Georges Bidault might be invited back into the Government as a minister without portfolio. Although M. Bidault is a member of the Popular Re-

MacARTHUR London Deprecates MP's Suggestions

NO EXCEEDING OF UN INSTRUCTIONS

London, Dec. 6. The Government today deprecated suggestions that General Douglas MacArthur had gone beyond United Nations directives in Korea. Answering a barrage of questions in the House of Commons, the Foreign Under-Secretary of State, Mr Ernest Davies, said: "We have no reason to suggest and we do not wish it to be suggested that he had acted outside the resolution of the United Nations."

Mr Davies said that the United Nations resolutions delegated the conduct of the campaign to the unified command and the United States was asked to appoint a commander. It was in that respect that General MacArthur was acting.

It was the second day this week that the Foreign Office had been questioned about General MacArthur's handling of the situation in Korea. Major Niall MacPherson, National Liberal and Conservative, had urged the publication of the directive given to General MacArthur.

Mr Raymond Blackburn, Independent, had also asked what representations the Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin, had made to the United States Government about the instructions given to General MacArthur to advance into North Korea.

Mr Davies replied that as previously stated, the objectives of General MacArthur had been laid down in the United Nations resolution. There had been appropriate consultation.

NO WARNING?

Labour Member, Thomas Driberg, suggested that the position of the United Nations forces must have been foreseen by British military advisers at the beginning of the war. If so, had no advice or warning been given?

RAF CRASH IN SPAIN

Gibraltar, Dec. 6. The ten people aboard the Royal Air Force Wellington bomber, which crashed in Spain yesterday, were today presumed to have been killed. The Wellington, which carried a crew of four or five, was one of eight which left Shrewbury, Shropshire, yesterday morning on a navigational training flight. The aircraft was seen to be struck by lightning but this has not been confirmed. Four of the aircraft landed at Tangier, and three at Gibraltar. The lost plane crashed near Deniz on the Montgo mountain range in the Alentejo province. Rescue parties which went out yesterday, were caught in a snowstorm.—Reuter.

Education Day

Berlin, Dec. 6. A reporter telephoned the East German Government information office in the Russian sector. The operator answered: "Call back later. There is nobody here."

"Where is everybody?" The operator said: "That is a foolish question. Today is Wednesday. You should know by now that everybody takes political education every Wednesday morning."—United Press.

publican Movement (Catholic Party), he has some popularity among other political factions, including the Socialists. Popular Republicans (MRP) are already represented in the Cabinet by Foreign Minister Robert Schuman, Minister for Indo-China, Jean Loeux, and other high party figures. M. Bidault would immensely strengthen the Cabinet through personal following and international prestige.

FORMULA DISCUSSED

The German rearmament issue has threatened the always precariously balanced French Government for weeks. A formula, reported to have been reached in the London meeting of the Atlantic Pact Deputies Council, was debated by the Cabinet in secret today.

Help For Tito

Belgrade, Dec. 6. United States Ambassador George Allen held a 40-minute conference with Yugoslav Foreign Minister Edvard Kardelj on Wednesday for the first time since Mr Kardelj returned from the United Nations. The main topics discussed were to have been Yugoslav relations with Greece and the prospects of American aid to Marshal Tito. Yugoslavia on Wednesday accepted Britain's offer of an \$18,430,000 credit to buy foodstuffs.—United Press.

Reports immediately leaked out that the Socialists were rejecting the formula. The formula, apparently suggested by Holland's Dirk Stikker, was that an Atlantic Pact High Commissioner be appointed to recruit 100,000 German troops into combat teams in the next three years.

France was reported to be ready to accept this because of the urgent need to get Europe's defences into shape to fend off possible Communist aggression. Such an acceptance, Government sources hastened to add, would be only a temporary measure. France is still insisting on a European Defence Ministry to administer the properly unified army and armed forces. Atlantic Pact defence plan.—Associated Press.

DEFENDED



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Korean Crisis Bringing Japan Treaty Nearer

Washington, Dec. 6. The catastrophe which has befallen the United States in Korea is likely to hasten rather than retard efforts for an early Japanese peace treaty.

That was the opinion expressed by authoritative informants today when they were asked if the Korean debacle would cause a shelving of plans to push ahead on the Japanese treaty. They gave two principal reasons for believing it is imperative that the United States make an attempt to achieve a peace pact with Japan as soon as possible.

Firstly, in view of the deteriorating situation in the Far East, a completely sovereign Japan, adequately protected by a separate agreement with the United States, would be a much more effective and co-operative American ally than an occupied, subservient and uncertain Japan would be.

Secondly, conclusion of a treaty would mean the freeing of Japan from the policy restrictions imposed by the 13-nation Far Eastern Commission, which the Soviet Union has the veto power, and thus permit inauguration by Japanese officials of more positive measures to bolster morale and to improve the general well-being of that country. These sources emphasised the critical situation in Asia made it more necessary than ever that the treaty be accompanied by strong security guarantees to protect Japan from aggression. The American plan envisages the use of Japanese facilities by American troops and air force to safeguard the islands. The agreement would be comparable to the one under which American air force personnel and their equipment are stationed in the United Kingdom now.

American officials are willing to negotiate such an agreement on a bilateral basis with Japan completely outside the framework of the treaty arrangements. They have taken this attitude to meet the objections of the Indian Government which asserts that inclusion of such American arrangements in the treaty itself would constitute a violation of Japanese sovereignty which the treaty is supposed to create.

CHINA'S ATTITUDE

Meanwhile, it was understood, American officials have abandoned any hope they might have had that Communist China could be induced to agree to a Japanese peace treaty on terms acceptable to the United States, the British Commonwealth and other non-Communist nations concerned. That was the official reaction to Communist Premier Chou En-lai's 3,000-word statement insisting upon Peking's participation in the treaty drafting, and charging the United States with seeking a separate Japanese peace treaty in order to give it a free hand in "rebuilding the aggressive force" of Japan.

Officials here noted that the Peking Government, like Russia, objected to the American proposal that the United States be given strategic United Nations trusteeship over the former Japanese Ryukyu and Bonin Islands. They also pointed out that the Chinese Communist reaction to the United States' seven-point programme for writing a treaty closely paralleled, in most respects, the complaints raised by the Soviet Union at New York on November 20. The Soviet and Communist Chinese viewpoint that there is

no basis for taking the Ryukus and Bonins away from Japan and putting them under trusteeship is viewed here as an obvious propaganda manoeuvre designed to try to convince the Japanese that the Reds have their welfare at heart. American officials described it as a particularly cynical manoeuvre because they contend Russia and Communist China have no intention of agreeing to any treaty and are merely trying to confuse the issues.—United Press.

Airliners Brought Back Into Service

Washington, Dec. 6. The Air Force disclosed today that 29 commercial airliners, dropped from the Pacific airlift in September, have been recalled to duty to handle the increased needs for Korea.

Officials discounted any idea that the planes might be used for evacuation of troops from Korea, although Representative Hinchshaw, California Republican, told the House of Representatives: "It is my understanding that we may have to send our entire four-engine fleet (of commercial airliners) to Korea in the event we have to stage another Dunkirk."

Mr Hinchshaw declined to elaborate to reporters on this remark, which was made during debate on airline subsidy legislation.

Officials indicated, however, the airliners were not destined for evacuation work, although General Omar Bradley spoke on Tuesday of possible evacuation of hard-pressed troops in the north-east sector of Korea. The officials pointed out that the airliners have been used in moving men and supplies, including medical men and medical supplies, across the Pacific, and for the transport of wounded homeward. The decision to recall the big commercial planes to Government duty was made four or five days ago.—Associated Press.

Commitments Will Be Met

New York, Dec. 6. The Independent New York Times, commenting editorially on the Chinese Communist advance in Korea, said on Wednesday: "These armies may be strong enough to thwart the United Nations' purposes for a moment. But it would be a dark day for mankind if the free world should fail to stand by its clear commitments on this issue, fail to identify and denounce the clear fact of Chinese Communist aggression and effect any settlement which would reward that aggression. Fortunately there is no reason to believe these things will happen."—United Press.

Dichards At Guildhall



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NEW LAVA THREAT IN SICILY

Catania, Sicily, Dec. 6. The 1,500 inhabitants of the villages of Milo and Rinazzo were today feverishly evacuating their most precious belongings as erupting Mount Etna spewed a stream of lava toward their homes.

At midnight, the main flow of lava lapped over the last protection of the two villages—a deep ravine which has now disappeared, for ever.

Rumbling and cracking, the nine metre high wall of incandescent rock began rolling down an open slope towards the first mud and stone dwellings two kilometres away. It was making a speed of 55 metres an hour.

The commander of the armed forces in Sicily sent out an order shortly after dawn: "Everything portable must be evacuated immediately."

Big bands of troops and police helped the villagers. Seventy-seven year old Don Concetto Figliani, Archbishop of Milo, who left his hospital bed in nearby Catania three days after an operation to return to his threatened parish, spent the night in prayer in the little 14th Century church.—Reuter.

Accra Refuses An Inquiry

Accra, Gold Coast, Dec. 6. The Government refused an inquiry into the shooting in the Gold Coast village of Supe on November 8, in which four people died.

It had no evidence making an inquiry necessary, the Chief Secretary, Mr R. H. Salway, stated in the Legislative Council yesterday, in reply to Dr Danquah, Vice-President of the United Gold Coast Convention.

A disturbance was caused when the villagers refused to pay a local levy to the State Treasury. The police opened fire. Nine people were wounded and four of them, including a woman, later died.

The Paramount Chief of Arlo and the State Council each protested to the Colonial Office, demanding an inquiry and alleging that the police broke into houses and completely sacked the village.—Reuter.

Albanian Protest

Frankfurt, Dec. 6. Albania on Wednesday sent the Italian Government a verbal note protesting alleged territorial air and sea violations by Italian craft.—United Press.

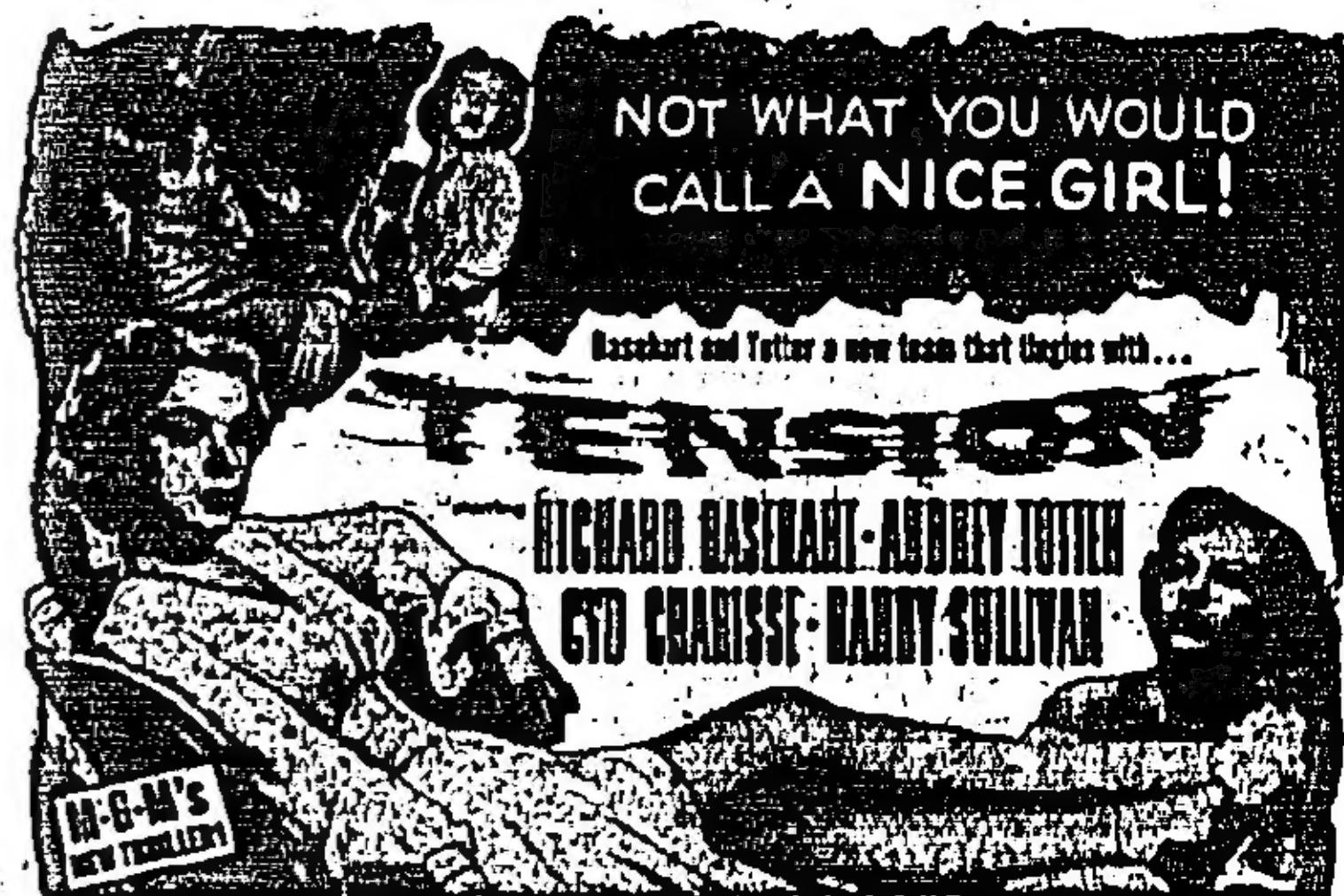
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America puts the clock on, and goes in for a marathon Christmas.

DON IDDON'S DIARY

NEW YORK, TUESDAY

FATHER Christmas and Senator Robert Taft, who are not to be confused, are the outstanding celebrities here just now. Both have made rather premature appearances. Father Christmas is in all the New York store windows, beaming rosy. He is on the posters and in the magazines and newspapers, obviously determined to play a long campaign.

Carols are being piped through the juke-boxes and sound-amplifiers, so that the day and night are anything but silent.

Pop talk needed

It could be that Americans are so imbued with peace and good will that they want four weeks of Christmas instead of the usual few days, but the best information is that big business pushed Father on to the stage to drum up sales. A pop talk to shoppers is plainly needed.

Since I got back from the Bahamas I have been surprised to hear the word "slump" and see evidence of a falling-off in trade.

Business is down, way down. The loud demand for new cars, furniture, refrigerators, radios, and television sets has changed into a mere request. There is a minor recession throughout the country (except in Texas, of course).

So the Christmas shopping season has been put forward. I have no complaint. New York is at its best at Christmas. If we are to have a marathon holiday season, a non-stop shopping spree, a perpetual celebration, I will join in.

Thanksgiving time

THE big post-election personality, Robert Taft, does not seem so eager. It is not that he doesn't like Christmas—he just doesn't want the U.S. to play Father Christmas to all the world.

Mr Taft is in the headlines, in the newsreels, in the thick of things. He is being presented as a great statesman.

This man from Ohio dominates the cautious Conservatives, but says: "No one but an idiot would be an isolationist today." The record, however, says that although Taft voted for the Marshall Plan he voted against the Atlantic Pact, he voted against

the military aid programme, and against Point Four. Any and every move to aid and chop help to Europe was supported by Taft.

I hope the man who calls isolationism idioty does not now practice idioty.

I am sorry that Hollywood has gotten the occasion of Thanksgiving to release a feature film with a script which goes something like this: "Thank you for making Americans so wonderful, so strong, so rich, so world leaders, so engineers, farmers, scientists, soldiers, etc., etc." Thanks for everything, but not this.

Of course, this self-approbation is aided and abetted by a whole stream of apocryphic visitors.

Here is Lord Bertrand Russell, Nobel Prize winner in literature, and what does he say?

"There are today only two sovereign States—the U.S. and Russia—each with its satellites. Britain is one of the United States' satellites, because the British depend heavily on the U.S. financially and protectively."

Why does he do it? And who was the satellite when the world depended on Britain in the first two years of the war?

Joe's comeback

THIS sort of toadyism makes Mr Vyshinsky rub his hands. The Kremlin's grin is still here, but not giving thanks and not singing carols.

He announces that Trygve Lie is "timid, cowardly, coward, base, biased, pro-American, nothing but a loudspeaker and mouthpiece." A loudspeaker—I like that from the world's loudest and biggest mouth.

New York's new mayor, the People's Choice, the impudent Mr Impellitteri, is on holiday in Florida's sunshine. While he lolls the defeated and discredited political machine, Tammany Hall, tries to stage a comeback.

This is a favourite American pastime. Joe Louis is trying it again.

He is in training for a fight with Cesar Brion in Chicago. Joe says: "I can do it. I want to meet Ezzard Charles again. I'm not through yet."

It is a mistake. It is a tragic thing. The great champion went out honourably and should stay out.

A much better idea, if Louis must fight, would be for him to meet Tommy Farr. I know the managers of Farr and Louis

have been on the Transatlantic phone secretly in the past few weeks.

Anyway, I prefer less violent entertainments—the theatre and the films.

All in favour

IT is now no contest as far as British talents are concerned. Our Christopher Fry is being told he is "a genius, a colossus, a new Shaw." His "The Lady's Not for Burning" has New York critics and audiences blissing with such bright enthusiasm that Fry is embarrassed. Fry is Time magazine's front-cover man.

Margot Fonteyn graces Newsweek's cover over a caption "Britannia Rules the Waves." Her salary is \$100 a week, a tenth of what Americans would pay her.

Rocky Harrison and wife Lilli Palmer are rated bewitching in John Van Druten's "Bell, Book, and Candle" but the play itself is only fair.

Clive Brook is welcome back on Broadway, and he starts rehearsals for "The Second Threshold." Brook has been away too long.

Sarah Churchill has been asked by John Gielgud to co-star with him in "Princess Elizabeth" in London next spring. He is delighted with the offer, and will probably also play in "King Lear" with Louis Calhern in New York.

Dr Edith Sitwell rang up to ask why I wasn't at her reading of "Macbeth." Unfortunately, I was at Nassau. The critics said Miss Sitwell was sensational.

The actress of Jean Simmons is getting out of hand. The New York Daily News calls her "Britain's miracle actress, a combination of Vivien Leigh, Hedy Lamarr, and Elizabeth Taylor." Her fiancé, Stewart Granger, says she's even better.

All the Command Performance stars are glowing over the graciousness of the Royal Family. Hollywood has become London's satellite.

Festival star?

DANNY KAYE is still considering that quarter-of-a-million dollar offer to appear for 12 weeks at the Festival of Britain. His manager insists the offer was made.

Why not hire a British star for a British festival?

They say about women that the only thing they won't wear on a hat is the price ticket.

Heard around town: The United Nations are now between the Devil and the bright Red Chinese. Benjamin Franklin said it first—Beware the little foxes—a small leak will sink a great ship.

Footnote: The new Congress means the end of "Ours not to ask the why, ours but to subside."

After discussing the evidence of teeth, skulls and pelvic bones, the writers conclude:

"Possibly we are correct in assuming that there lived in South Africa a million or perhaps two million years ago a family of higher primates not closely related to the living anthropoids, but perhaps evolved from a very early anthropoid, or even a pre-anthropoid by a different line, that this line early became bipedal and soon used the hands for tools and weapons, and that one branch of this family about Upper Pliocene times, gave rise to man."

A considerable number of men of science from America and Europe have visited South Africa to examine our specimens," they said, "and we think all who have taken this trouble have gone back convinced that at least we have the remains of beings that were much more human in structure than any known living or fossil apes."

Opinions still differ considerably. Some have argued that all our ape-men are true human beings. Some—a very few, we believe—consider they are anthropoid apes."

Another Drill

The Regimental magazine of 206 HAA Regiment, Bristol, contains a bright satire on discipline headed: "Dying (the drill for)" which includes the instruction: "There will be no overtaking on route to Heaven. Any officers passed, who are on their way to subterranean depths, will be paid the usual compliments."

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A New Leash on Life

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THE LADY MAYORESS



The Lady Mayoress, Mrs Denys Lawson, at the Mansion House before she left for Buckingham Palace for The State Banquet to Queen Juliana and Prince Bernhard after their arrival for a three-day visit to London. Her duchess satin gown is of palest mauve with a draped neckline. Earrings and necklace match a diamond tiara. (London Express Service)

12 Million Held In Soviet Camps

PARIS. A Swiss woman, Mme. Elinor Lipper, 36, who spent 11 years in Soviet concentration camps in Siberia, said in Paris: "The inhabitants of these camps cease to be human beings. They are just animals, thinking only of the next piece of bread."

She estimated that, with allowance made for the heavy mortality rate, there was a constant population of 12 million in Russian concentration camps.

Mme. Lipper was speaking at a meeting of the Anglo-American Press Association. She is to be one of the chief witnesses in the forthcoming libel action which M. David Rousset, the French author, is bringing against Les Lettres

Franchises, Paris Communist weekly journal.

A fragile figure in black, Mme. Lipper said she went to Russia "as a convinced Communist" in 1937, obtaining work in a publisher's office. Within six months she was arrested and sentenced to five years' imprisonment for "counter-revolutionary activities."

"I had done nothing nor said anything," she said. "There was no question of a trial. I was condemned administratively."

During the next 11 years Mme. Lipper passed through 14 camps and 10 prisons, chiefly in the Kolyma region, Northeast Siberia. The war prevented her release after five years.

Describing working conditions in the camps, Mme. Lipper said: "If you did not work well enough, you were beaten up; if you went on hunger strike, you were shot."

The food allowance was 21oz. of bread daily, but it was withheld from those unable to work a full 12-hour day. More often than not, women marched five miles to their work.

They had to chop wood in the forests, work in the fields, and clear snow from the roads.

WAR STOPPED RELEASE

The City of London arms will be carried on the bridge of each ship of a new £6,000,000 fleet of British tankers.

First of the tankers, London Pride, is already at sea. The London Enterprise is due to sail in a fortnight.

Eight more ships, to be completed by the end of 1952, will have London in their name.

Each of the 125th long tankers can carry 15,000 tons of oil. When they sail from this country they may not make a homeward voyage more than once a year.

Mr Sedgwick, of London and Overseas Freighters, Ltd., owners of the fleet, said that the tankers, for charter to the big oil companies, might carry oil anywhere in the world—as the Norwegians have done for years.

MORE ROOMS AT NATIONAL GALLERY

Three more rooms have been opened at the National Gallery in London. They are those on the ground floor which were used for special exhibitions during and immediately after the war.

After being used since then for the storage of delicate pictures requiring observation and special atmospheric conditions, they have been redecorated, together with the staircase connecting them with the main exhibition floor.

The 140 pictures which they now contain are the first selection from 800 which the Trustees have set aside for lending to other galleries. They are being exhibited in these rooms until the end of 1950, so that the directors of the other galleries can make their choice, and so that London's public and visitors can see them before their departure for the provinces.

The reopened rooms include the oak-panelled "Dutch Cabinet" and the majority of this first selection are pictures by Dutch artists of the 17th century. Pictures of other schools will be available later.

Christmas Fare For The Army

Christmas fare for the Army at home and abroad—including Korea—will include turkey, pork, mince pies, plum pudding, chocolates, fruit and beer.

Tins of turkey and ham, mince meat, chocolates, cigars and cigarettes are being flown out to Korea by NAAFI, who are also catering for troops at home and in Germany. Units abroad will also receive regimental Christmas cards by air.

"We start preparing for the following Christmas every January," said a NAAFI official, "and it takes every day of 11 months to obtain supplies. Extra Christmas food for the troops in Korea is being sent in all right time. The men will also get whiskey, gin and other spirits."

A War Office official said that the Ministry of Food would release enough eggs to allow one for every man on Christmas Day. Pork will be issued instead of beef this year. To meet cost of extras, the authorities have made a special grant of 9d. per man. This is a reduction to money provided by regimental funds.

New Tanker Fleet

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SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith

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Beauty Treatment For Hands

By HELEN FOLLETT

It is a general belief that beautiful, shapely hands are a gift from the gods. Yet many women whose mitts did not seem to qualify have gone in for improvements that have changed them considerably. They have created an illusion of beauty by clever and patient toil.

Awkward movements will make even lovely hands look clumsy. So take note of how your hands behave, especially when you shake hands when greeting another person. The arm should be held slightly higher than the wrist, fingers held closely together. Let your hand appear to be graceful and cordial with a light pressure. A flabby, fishy hand is something of a horror, certainly does not express friendliness.

Protective Measures

It is no trick to keep the skin surface smooth and of clear colour. The secret of course is in taking protective measures so the flesh will not be subjected to dirt or harsh cleaning agents. It takes only a minute to apply a lotion, and that should be done every day, rain or shine.

Those milky, semi-liquid preparations have wonderful healing properties. Most of them are made of gum tragacanth, glycerine and rosewater, ingredients that make for perfection of surface and colour.

At least once a week give yourself a hand massage, and there will be no chance of your hands looking old before their time.

Doing Circles

In beauty shops where hand and arm treatments are given the operator treats each finger and thumb separately, starting at the base, thumb on the upper surface, finger below, doing circles with the thumb right up to the pink nail where the cream is forced into the surrounding cuticle.

Knuckles, susceptible to dust that the housewife is ever fighting, should have special attention, and the wrist and elbow must also get a few licks of the nourishing cream.

During this treatment is a good time to use the orange wood stick to detach the cuticle around your talons. If allowed to cling, you will be tormented with hangnails.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Why Weeping Willows Weep

—Knarf and Hanid Wanted to Know—

By MAX TRELL

"NOW why does the weeping willow weep?" repeated Ting-a-Ling. "Is that what you asked me, my dear?"

Knarf and Hanid, the Shadows with the turned-about names, both nodded. They had come down to the bottom of the Blue China Plate where Ting-a-Ling lived. It was while they were walking along the edge of the pond that they noticed the large weeping willow trees. Then Knarf asked how the trees had got such a strange name.

"Of course," Hanid said as she took another look at the willows, "they aren't really weeping, Ting-a-Ling. I mean, there aren't any real tears."

"Oh, but there are!" said Ting-a-Ling. "Early in the morning, when the dew is on the grass, you can see tears on the leaves of the willows. Or perhaps those tears are drops of dew, too. Nevertheless they look like tears."

Knarf and Hanid and Ting-a-Ling had turned and were strolling back for home when Ting-a-Ling smiled and began:

A Long Time

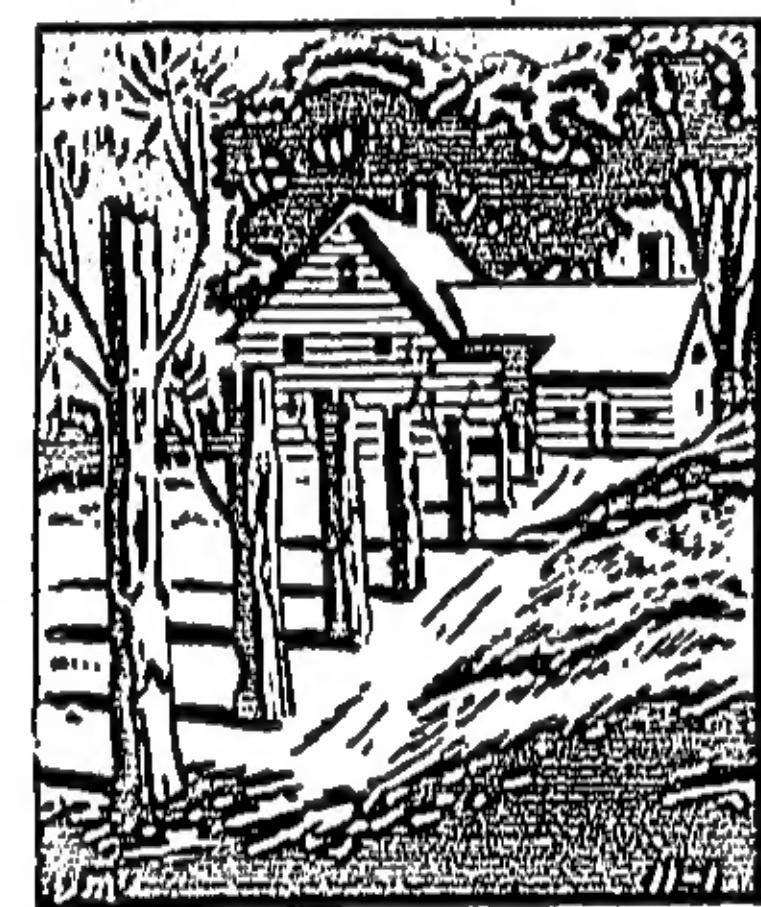
"Now it was quite a long time ago when the willow first started weeping. In those days it didn't look quite the way it looks now. Instead of having branches that dip down, all its branches stood straight up for his height and his children and himself. And the pieces that he had left he stuck back into the ground—large pieces as tall as posts. He stuck them in the ground on either side of the path that led up to the door of his house."

"Like a fence?" suggested Knarf.

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"No," said Ting-a-Ling. But he didn't explain why they didn't. He just kept on walking.



The posts led up to the door.

"Oh!" exclaimed Hanid. "What an awful thing to do!"

Ting-a-Ling smiled a little. "Perhaps it was, my dear one. And then again, perhaps it wasn't. A tree must grow. And a man must have a house to live in, and so he must chop down trees. And the willow was chopped down. The wood-cutter took the willow away. But he left the stump of the willow in the ground."

Different Things

"And then," said Ting-a-Ling, "the wood-cutter made different things that he needed. Some of the willow he made into furniture. Some he made into boards. Some he used in his fire to cook dinner for his wife and his children and himself. And the pieces that he had left he stuck back into the ground—large pieces as tall as posts. He stuck them in the ground on either side of the path that led up to the door of his house."

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Rupert's Climbing Adventure—40



Peddling at six in the am, Pauline saw the wood-cutter come along. Then she saw a tree of that kind.



way towards the end of the bridge, keeping well under cover. Nothing seemed to happen as he walked into the wood to get a better view. All

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Your Sewing Scrapbook

by Mary Brooks Picken

Practical Mother-and-Daughter Aprons and Scarves

A HAPPY fashion, this—for a mother and daughter to wear garments of same type of fabric and in same colour.

Here two aprons can be made from 2½ yds. fabric and be lovely as can be and good for many, many partnership wearings. Checked gingham, dotted swiss, satin—so many fabrics are appropriate.

Measure on Solvago

Straighten fabric. Measure on solvago 27" for mother's apron. Tear across. Next, measure and tear off 18" for daughter's. Remaining square makes scarves and pockets.

Tear the strings and waistbands off lengthwise edges of two apron pieces, as in A and B, making each strip 3" wide.

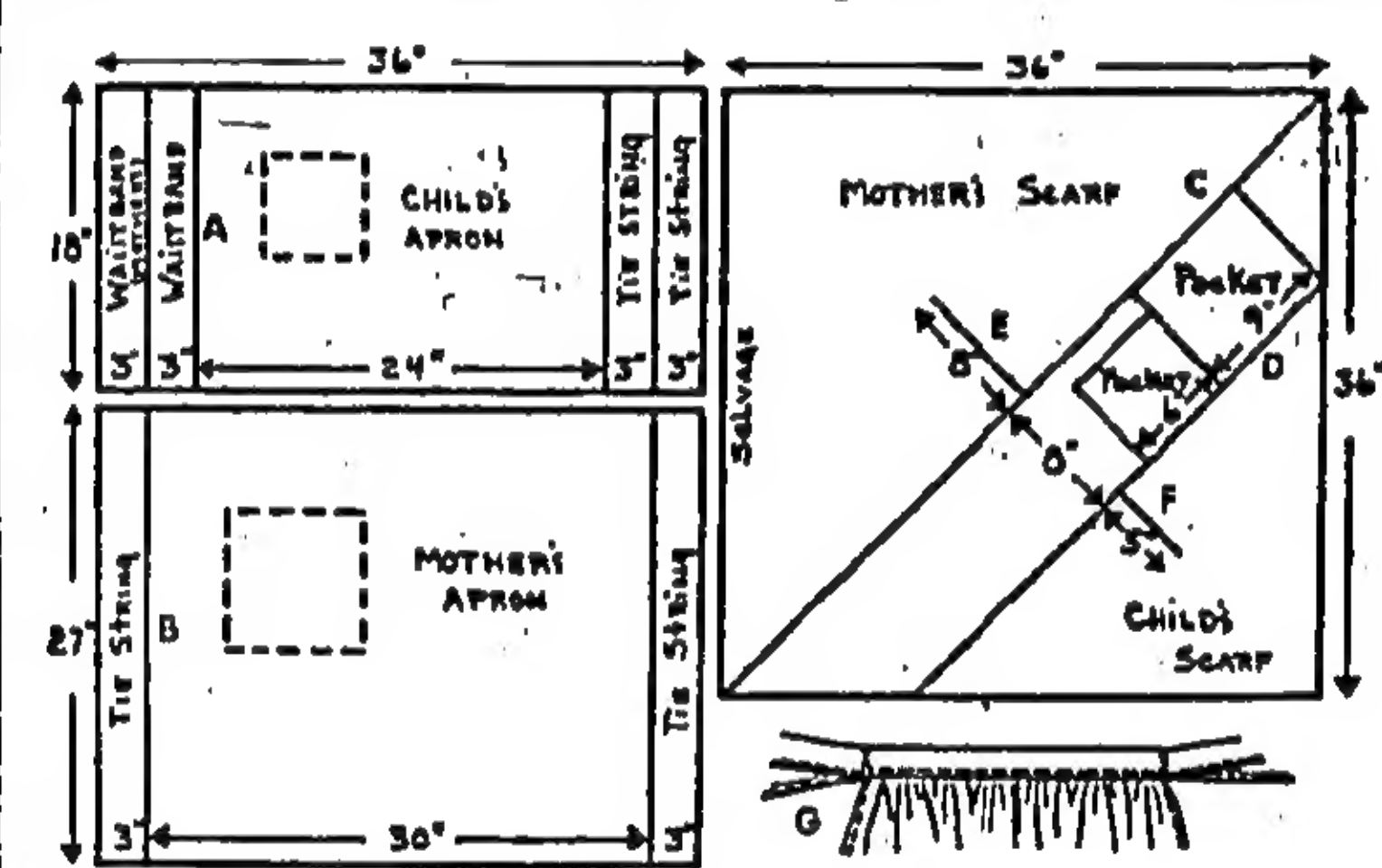
On remaining half of square, turn another fold 8" deep on true bias; cut on this fold line (D).

The small triangular piece becomes child's scarf. Bias piece cut out from centre makes pockets for both aprons in proportions shown.

Fold scarves in half to form triangles. Cut in on fold from bias edge 8" and 5", as at E and F. When scarves are worn, these corners roll back to make revers.

Narrow Machine Hem

Making Scarves and Aprons: Hem all edges of both scarves, using a narrow machine hem.



Hem strings, also side edges of both aprons.

Put a 1" hem in bottom of child's apron, 1½" in Mother's. Gather top edges of both aprons into a space equal to 2" less than ½ waist measurement.

Place right side of waistband to wrong side of apron and stitch to place. Turn band to right side, insert strings in ends, as at G, and stitch band and across ends.

Hem top edge of pockets, using a 1" hem on Mother's, ½" on daughter's. Turn sides and bottom edges under. Stitch to place on apron, and presto! Both aprons are finished and need only pressing to be ready to wear.

Illustration shows how ends of scarves are tucked inside waistband of apron.

Make buttonholes in front of waistband and sew buttons to the scarf—this, simply to hold the points of scarf becomingly.

Fashion Changes Among Teeners

ONE of the interesting signs of the times is that the soda fountain set is considering "Sloppy Joe" shoes as old hat, also blue jeans and flying shirts. Why the young fry ever came to assume these unbecoming disguises of feminine loveliness is beyond adult understanding. Teen-agers are taking to fluff-stuff and smart attire, which make them easier on the public eye and cause their parents to believe that perhaps they will grow to be humans after all.

Shoe clerks report that youthful buyers are showing interest in the kind of shoes that make for presentable looking feet. They have a wide choice among trim oxfords, mocassins and ghillie type shoes. Criss-cross laces, pretty as those on a dancer's slippers, smartly buckled straps and fanciful cut-outs contribute to that grown-up look that, at long last, is buying an appeal. Shocke absorbing leather soles provide foot ease which is important for active young feet.

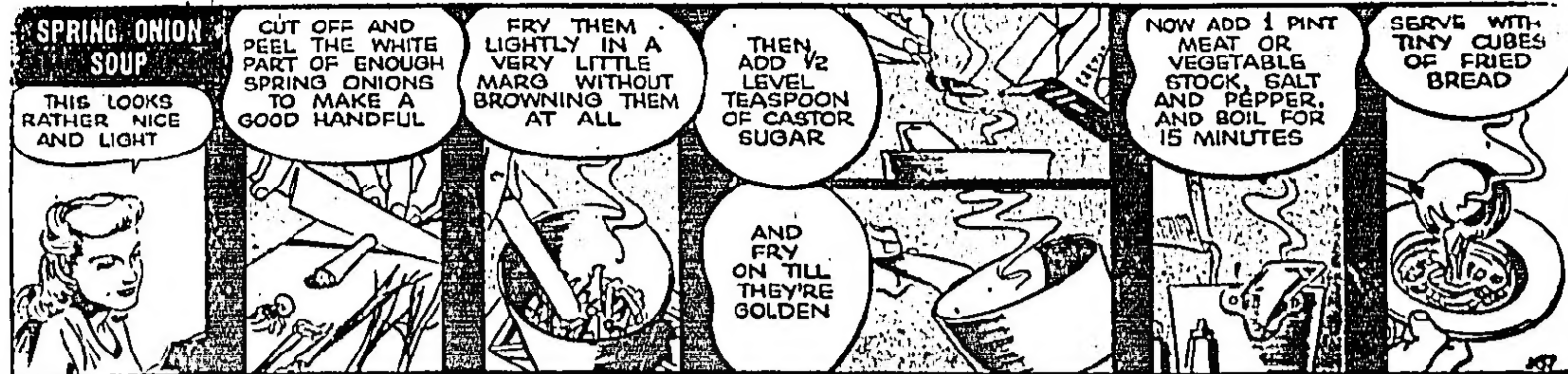
Foot specialists have deplored the sloppy footwear of the past, as it affords no support of any kind, inclines the growing foot to spread, lose shape and suffer strain. It did not bode well for the future, when young girls will graduate into the deft class, want above everything else to have pretty little feet.

Mothers of young children should be foot-wise. If a child doesn't like walking, is not inclined to join in outdoor games the trouble may be found in improper foot hygiene or the wrong kind of shoes. Chances are little Susie outgrows her shoes before she outgrows them, so has toes in a huddle or toes pushed too far forward, causing discomfort. Remember there are fifty-two bones in their little feet all in a hurry to grow up and support the other 164 bones of the cherubic body.

Pediatricists say you must teach your child to walk with toes pointing straight ahead; that you should have the child's feet measured when selecting shoes, that flexible leather soles are indispensable.

Royal Grandeur

The Queen's dressmaker specially designed these exquisite creations for Her Majesty and her two daughters at the banquet given at Buckingham Palace in honour of the state visit of Queen Juliana of the Netherlands.



Siamese Lines Give Spring Play Clothes New Colour

SILKS take over one S American Spring collection of play clothes for day and evening. Designer Tina Leser, who travels widely studying and observing native costumes, acknowledges Siam for much that gives this collection great vitality.

Hand woven silks in dim pink and amethyst; others in exotic combinations of colour like cerise and yellow-green, are in a plaid silk for a long coat that will unquestionably be one of the display fashion pieces of the season; stunning prints taken from Oriental turban cloths, screen-processed on silk shantung; Italian shiny silks in Roman bayadere stripes for blouses or skirts; in the monotonous besides silk linen, there is a silk covert cloth which as its name implies, offers something new for quality shorts, slacks and skirts.

Introducing The Panung Shirt

Siamese costume ideas are in abundance, and because of their slim character, lend themselves easily to the current trend. Miss Leser develops slim-length trousers pleated low to taper into a band, usually ornamental; trouser-skirts, from the Siamese, look like a straight skirt slightly flared by creased pleats at front and back which disguise the pants formation; and for a narrow skirt, a kind of wrap-around, in dinner length, the panung skirt is introduced.

In this group, many of them separates, a blouse with wrap-around sash is featured, in any one of the exotic prints,

to be worn variously with skirts or trousers. The Choli which is a sleeveless, closely fitted shirt, has the advantage of being very short—no bulk below the waist.

Cinched-In Waistline

The high-waisted cinched-in waistline of polo trousers is used in many shorts and slacks, with double-buckled closing for the strapped waistline. Bathing suits go along with other fashions in boasting new fabrics, one in a domino-blocked elasticized satin, dull and shiny; also in elasticized shantung. A Siamese knotted drape catching the legs on each side, gives literally a new twist to the one-piece bathing suit.

For those who know the shapeless character of the Muumuu, more familiarly associated with Hawaii, Tina Leser has a surprise dress in the derivation she has done in sateen, tucked and embroidered.

ed, for a timely 1951 one-piece afternoon or dinner dress.

Victorian Suggestions

Her Oriental-design penchant notwithstanding, Tina Leser brings some Victorian suggestions in this collection. The series of white pique scalloped dresses with pastel ribbon trimming is the number one idea in these, followed closely by the little pastel bolero outfits in linen or silk, with contrasting bandings that look like early-century yachting costumes; also Swiss organdie embroidered dance skirts over coloured satin skirts.

Long stole scarfs are tremendously important; in the Siamese group, bordered silks to complete the dress, in self-colour with metal decoration. With bathing suit, there are long woolen stoles, fringed from deep borders of drawwork.

QUICK HOME HAIR TINT

Home hair tinting known as "Tintair" is in the London cosmetic market. A tint—any one of 12 shades—is completed within a few minutes after application, it is said. The product can be used over hair previously coloured with dyes or shampoo tints. It is claimed. The tint is applied with an ordinary paint or tooth brush, allowed to remain on for a few minutes, then the hair is shampooed and set. The product was developed by Donu Edmond in his New York salon.

Handmade cut-glass bottles of perfume were presented to ballerinas of the Sadler's Wells Co. for their tour of the United States and Canada by a well-

known cosmetic house. Members of the corps de ballet are being presented with flasks of toilet powder.

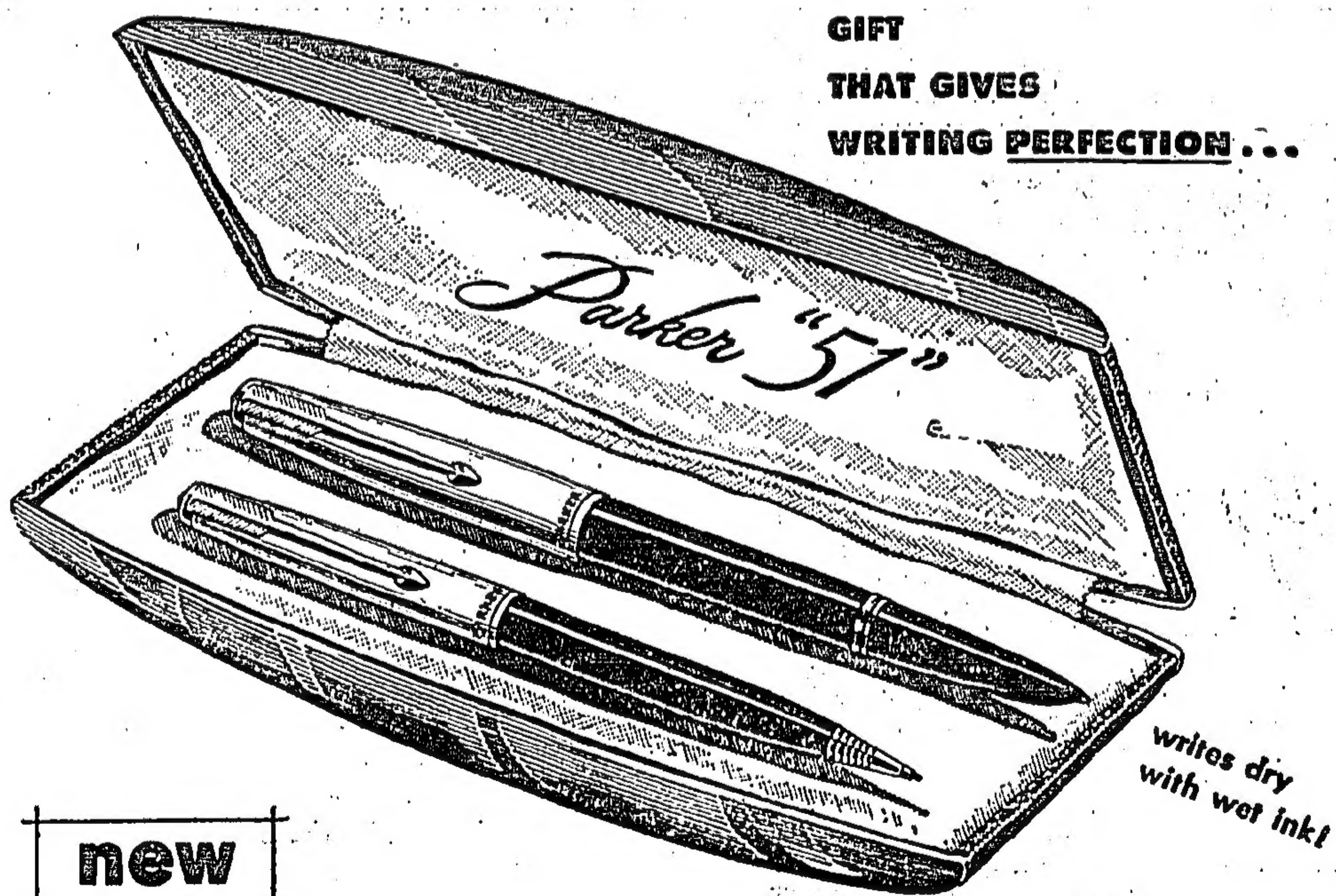
This firm, which exports its English flower perfumes to America, reports the choice of the five ballerinas is varied. Moira Shearer has chosen "Honey-suckle," Pamela May, "Sandalwood," Violetta Elvin and Beryl Grey have both taken "Malmalson" while Margot Fonteyn and Ninette de Valois, director of the company, have chosen "Special 121," said to have been created by James Floris last century for one of the Russian Grand Dukes. As earlier reported, the ballet dancers are wearing all-British wardrobes off-stage, and carrying British accessories.

SMART COMBINATIONS



By ALICE ALDEN

A well-handled combination of fine tweed and supple suede makes a jaunty costume for country or informal town wear, especially if glowing colours are chosen. Silks who does suede so deftly has designed an unusual three-piece suit of suede and tweed. It consists of a topper, skirt and a bag which is reversible. The full box jacket is nice belted or boxy. Tweed forms the collar, wide cuffs and facing of the jacket, and is used for the skirt.



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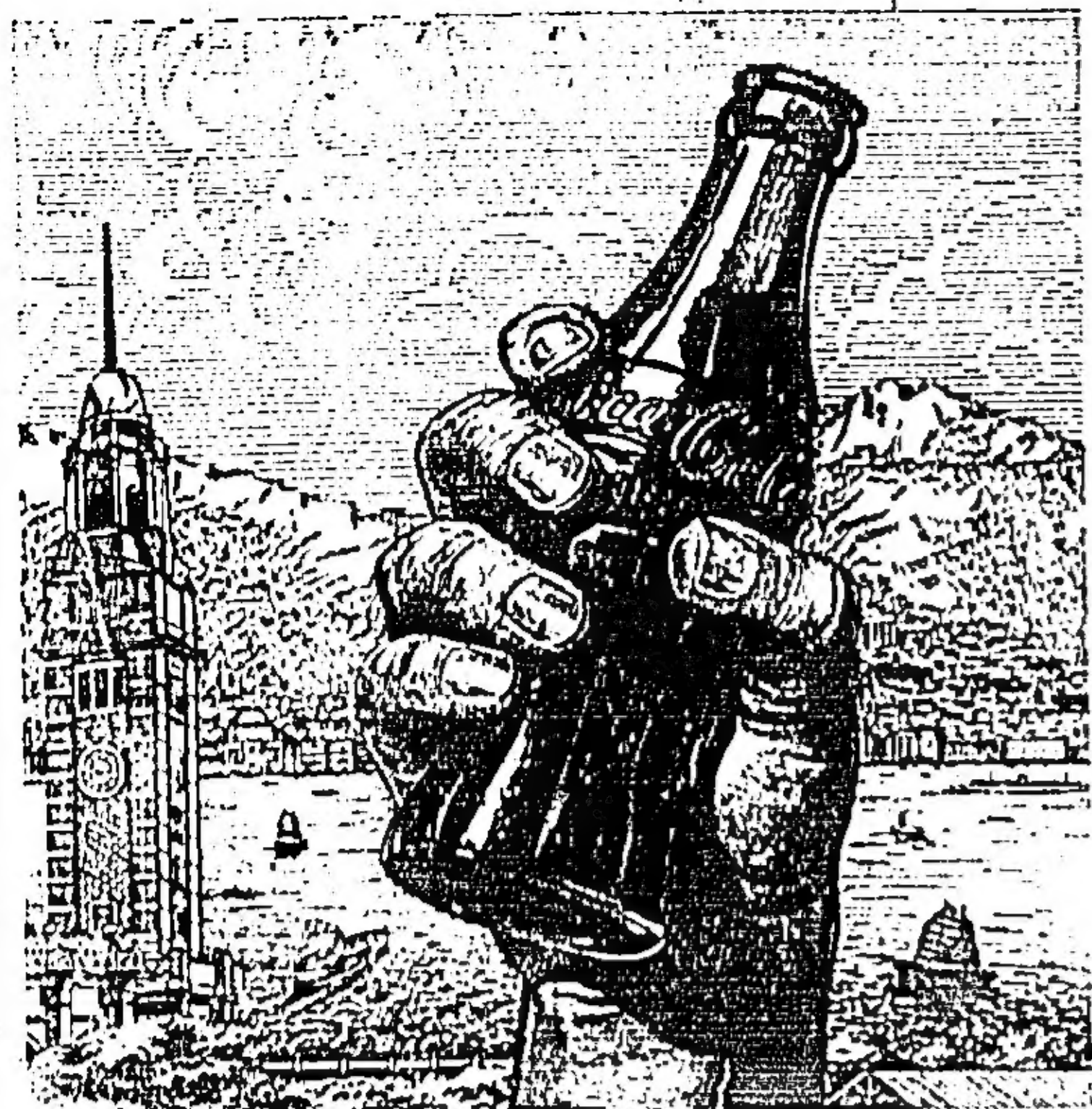
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A FRIENDLY GAME OF CHEMIN DE FER

HE was a gambler. I will not mention his name because, although it is a long time ago, somebody might still be distressed to be reminded of the whole story. It will be enough to call him The Gambler.

By profession he was a bookmaker, although anybody less like the popular idea of a bookmaker it would be difficult to imagine.

His appearance was remarkably distinguished; he was tall, good-looking and extremely well-dressed, but his most outstanding characteristic was an unwavering imperturbability.

I do not think I have ever seen a man with such a sphinx-like countenance. He must have been a perfect gambler.

The other person concerned in the subsequent trial was a young American named Doyle, who had come to England and soon became a well-known member of the sporting fraternity.

Quick wit

He was a good-looking young man with a pleasant manner and a quick wit, and he rapidly acquired popularity among a large circle of friends.

He lived extravagantly, although the source of his income was never clearly defined beyond the fact that it was probably derived from the race-course.

Doyle had been a friend of Danny Maher, the American jockey, who at that time was achieving outstanding success on the English Turf, and for some time Doyle had profited by backing his mounts.

Doyle became acquainted with Solly Joel, the millionaire race-horse owner—Maher rode many of Joel's horses—and was soon included among Joel's racing friends.

He was a constant visitor at Joel's home, was a guest aboard his yacht, and as a result became well known to the whole Joel family, including Woolf, a son.

For some time Solly Joel was a good and generous friend to Doyle; it was a few years later that he became a vindictive enemy.

During the first World War Woolf Joel was seriously injured in an aeroplane crash with the Royal Flying Corps and was in hospital for some time.

London leave

When sufficiently recovered he came to London for a short period of leave, and during that leave he again met Doyle.

Woolf was dining at a restaurant when Doyle spoke to him "as an old friend of your father." Young Joel was not aware that Doyle was at that time in a precarious financial position.

Doyle was sympathetic about the flying accident and offered his services, as an older man, to help young Joel spend a pleasant leave. An appointment was made to dine together a few nights later, and the dinner duly took place.

Thereafter events followed an almost stereotyped course. At dinner Doyle pointed out various well-known personalities in the room and finally called attention to a solitary figure dining in the corner. It was The Gambler.

Doyle described him as a well-known bookmaker and a particularly interesting companion, and introduced the pair.

Luck changed

The Gambler was invited to join them at dinner and in due course suggested that both Doyle and young Joel should go round to his flat for a drink. Then came the suggestion of a friendly game of chemin de fer.

They played. At first the stakes were low and young Joel won. Then Doyle suggested they be increased and the midnight Woolf Joel had lost between £3,000 and £4,000.

Doyle complained loudly that he, too, had been a loser

—to the extent of a couple of thousand pounds.

To what extent the game had been dishonest it is impossible to say. In all probability young Joel had about as much chance of winning from two such experienced gamblers, even in a straight game, as he had of reaching the moon.

But, whatever the nature of the game, it was disastrous for Woolf Joel. Naturally he had not the money to pay, so he gave a cheque. The cheque was promptly discounted with a money-lender and in due course the matter came to the ears of Solly Joel.

No emotion

As was to be expected, the father was furious. That his son should have been inveigled into the hands of two gamblers was bad enough, but that one of them should be the man he had befriended was more than he could overlook. He decided to prosecute them both for a conspiracy to cheat at cards.

THE CASE-BOOK OF SIR PATRICK HASTINGS, KC

CHAPTER TEN

The case for the defence was brought to me and it did not seem to possess any particular interest or unusual feature. It was just an ordinary case of card-sharping.

The trial took place at the Central Criminal Court and I came into court as the prisoners were placed in the dock. Everybody seemed to be staring at The Gambler.

He was certainly the most remarkable figure I have ever seen in any dock. He seemed to be devoid of any human sentiment. From first to last he never showed the slightest feeling or emotion.

His face was the colour of ivory. He might almost have been taken for a statue of some well-known actor or other distinguished person. He reminded me instinctively of the hero of Bret Hart's famous gambling stories. He was certainly not a man his father would select as a gaming companion for his son.

C. F. Gill, K.C., conducted the prosecution, and he gave full dramatic force to the somewhat sordid story. He painted a picture of the young flying officer, badly injured in the war, coming home to find himself the victim of two heartless gamblers.

From the outset it was fairly obvious that the result was almost a foregone conclusion. The only possible interest in the case would lie in the cross-examination of The Gambler himself.

Old school

Gill was a prosecutor of the old school. The moderation and restraint which marks the prosecuting counsel of today were unknown to him. An extremely able cross-examiner, he was accustomed to use every artifice to obtain a conviction and he employed them all.

I was more than curious to see if he would be able to goad my client into some display of feeling—of anger or fear; but he was completely unsuccessful.

While The Gambler was in the witness-box his demeanour remained precisely the same as when standing in the dock.

He was perfectly calm and perfectly courteous; his only indication of being affected by Gill's taunts was merely that some of his answers showed a slightly amused contempt.

His demeanour was irreproachable, and he was quite frank in all his answers.

Certainly, he had, invited young Joel to his flat; certainly he had suggested a game of cards—that was how he lived—but to suggest that there was anything dishonest in the play was utterly ridiculous.

There was no need for anybody who played cards with him did so at his own risk; he was a very good card player.

The cross-examination was long and skilful, well calculated to provoke an outburst from the prisoner; but it never came. If anyone was roused to anger, it was Gill himself, and when The Gambler went back into the dock he was as unemotional and unperturbed as when he left it.

But the facts were too strong for him. The judge summed up severely. And the jury convicted both prisoners. They were sentenced to long terms of imprisonment.

As I was leaving the court I received a message that my client was anxious to see me before he was taken away. I hate those interviews, but it is always impossible to refuse, so I saw him.

He looked precisely as he had done before the verdict—equally unmoved and apparently quite unaffected by what had happened.

played the slightest feeling. I could have understood him. But he did not; he merely stated a fact, and then the warder took him away.

Why had he told me that story? Had he thought it would be a good move to try and arouse my sympathy, or was the whole thing pure invention?

But I made some inquiries and found it was quite true that he had a son fighting in Palestine. I was younger in those days, and perhaps a trifle sentimental, but whatever the reason, the case began to worry me. He had appeared so confident; that his appeal would succeed and perhaps I had missed some point which would turn the scale; but I could not find one. However much I worried, I felt that the case was hopeless and I knew I should be glad when it was over.

Unmoved

As I went into the Appeal Court some weeks later, an usher gave me a message. Once more the prisoner had asked me to see him. This time I almost refused. I did not want to be burdened with any more sentimental stories, but in the end I consented and saw him in a room beneath the court.

He was exactly the same. He showed no sign of anxiety or emotion of any kind; he was utterly unmoved.

He thanked me for coming to see him.

"I am afraid this case has worried you," he said. "I beg you not to worry any more. This morning the Governor of the prison told me that my son has been shot down in Palestine and killed. It is quite immaterial now what happens in my appeal."

The appeal failed completely; as I knew it would; and once more The Gambler showed no sign either of disappointment or distress.

"I never saw him again, but I have often wondered whether his face remained equally unperturbed at the moment when the Prison Governor told him that his son was dead."

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HE "DOODLED" CRYSTAL PALACE ON A PALACE ON A PALACE ON A

By J. W. Taylor

DERBY is the town most intimately concerned with the appeal to long-established firms in the Midlands and the North to search their treasures for any items which they showed in the Great Exhibition of 1851 so that they may be included in the display of souvenirs at the Festival of Britain next year, for it was in a Derby office that the famous blotting-pad sketch of Crystal Palace, the home of the Exhibition, was made.

The Exhibition was a landmark in British social and industrial history, and the Victoria and Albert Museum authorities want more of such curiosities as the 70 to 80-bladed knife which a Sheffield firm has offered from its original Great Exhibition display to add to their collection of Exhibition pieces they are showing at the 1951 Festival. They already have the blotting-pad sketch, Prince Albert's season ticket for the Exhibition, and an enormous Indian throne presented to Queen Victoria.

It was only a chance episode that inspired that blotting-pad sketch. The Works and Ways Committee of the Midland Railway had assembled in Derby to try an offending pointsman, and Sir Joseph Paxton presided. His colleagues thought he was busy taking notes of the proceedings, but actually he was "doodling" on his blotting-pad.

The pointsman having been dealt with, Paxton showed his astonished associates his "dood-

ling" design for "the great industrial building to be erected in Metropolis." A few days later plans for the blotting-pad rough design were drawn up, and Paxton set out for London. He was lucky to have as travelling companion Robert Stephenson, son of the great George Stephenson, railway pioneer, of Chesterfield. Robert knew Paxton as his father's great friend and supporter, and being one of the most influential members of the Exhibition's building committee, was at once a powerful ally, which resulted in Paxton's design being accepted.

The son of a Derby doctor, Sir Charles Fox-like Paxton he was knighted when the Exhibition closed—was the contractor who had the task of interpreting Paxton's "doodling" in terms of the magnificent steel and glass structure of the Crystal Palace. Sir Stafford Northcote, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, who had been educated at the local Shirley Vicarage, was one of the three secretaries to the Royal Commission which organized the Exhibition, and Rowland Ordish, of Derby, one of the most famous engineers of his generation, made the greater part of the working drawings. Samuel Pilsnoll, whose name is perpetuated in the Pilsnoll line for ships, was the honorary secretary. Sixteen years later Pilsnoll became MP for Derby.

Another Derby link was Medieval Court, one of the outstanding features of the Exhibition and for which Augustus Welby Pugin, the architect of St. Giles, was the designer. The Exhibition brought fame and

Divorce could be laughed out of court

By IRIS ASHLEY

I HAVE just had a good laugh at Love and Marriage; and I suspect that, if we could find a bit more laughter in the matter, there would be less divorce.

It might be a good idea to nationalise the Michael Denisons (she is, of course, known to theatre and film fans as Dulcie Gray). They have more than ten years of real marriage to their credit and in the play "The Fourposter," which I saw at London's Ambassadors Theatre, they really do seem to show us to ourselves from the married viewpoint; and very funny we look.

Not everybody can see themselves all the time, of course, but there is a moment of "that's us!" for almost anyone.

The Agnes and Michael of the play take you through a marriage from Edwardian bridal night to wistful Darby and Joan finish. Is it a happy marriage? Yes; but not by some miracle is it achieved.

The lifebelt

ONLY through all the alternating selfishness, irritation, misunderstanding, and downright ugly moments of real living does it emerge triumphant. Humour, it would seem, is love's lifebelt.

Among other things every mother recognises with an inward smile are the remarkably fluctuating waves of paternal feeling.

When he is baffled by youthful behaviour, father becomes a partner. "We must speak to the children, dear..." (meaning "You must tell them what I think"). When it is a question of prizes won or scholarships, papa boasts "What do you think MY boy has done..."

Or if, as in the play, a gin bottle is discovered in a 16-year-old's drawer, it is "Agnes, look what I found in YOUR son's room!"

The beginning of this marriage got off on what Freud would undoubtedly say was the beautifully wrong foot.

Here is the shy little Edwardian bride, all in white, alone for the first time with her husband and a fourposter. Clearly she would like either to go home to mother or else have a dash of cavalier to sweep her off her feet. Actually, her nice young groom, being terrified of doing or saying the wrong thing, appears to be sewn into his clothes and rooted to the spot where he stands.

In theory it is not like that today, but for some who are young and shy it will always be much the same. Marriage is seldom what you expect.

Whether we like it or not, we have to acknowledge that, on the average, men are naturally polygamous. We can't condone the idea socially any more than we accept other items of less attractive human behaviour. However, it is necessary to meet up with this weakness on occasions.

To many a woman the discovery of unfaithfulness is the end—no matter how much she herself was a contributory cause.

After about 12 years of marriage our Agnes, while most engaging in appearance, has undoubtedly become something of a nut.

Suddenly Michael tells her he loves another woman; someone who is interested in the book he is writing, who is willing to share him with his work. That stops her prating voice, and turns her pale.

No tears

MICHAEL (who would really rather go on loving his wife if only she'd let him) is anxious. "Are you going to faint?" he asks.

"Certainly not," he is told. "I didn't faint when the children bump or measles, did I?"

"This," she says, setting her chin, "... is so ordinary. It belongs in the medicine chest of marriage..."

No tears, no scene, no clinging vine.

She thought of all the things any woman would think of about the Other Woman. She also considered the prospect of life without Michael and didn't like it much. So in simple words, she shut up... and won.

Would the Divorce Court have been so much better, do you think, and maybe another husband and the same thing all over again? Somewhere I read that a man says: "Twenty years ago, when I was in my prime..." and a woman says: "Twenty years ago? Why, I was in my prime!" There you have one of the later marriage hurdles. Men pursue women; women pursue youth. Any husband who will keep on telling his wife how young she looks may be a hero, but he'll reap rich rewards. If he doesn't she is apt to go out and make a fool of herself trying to prove it.

Two people

AGNES, at 43, was all for Beginning Life Again. She is saved from this rather exhausting project because Michael is belatedly understanding. He makes her laugh; not in the way he intends, it is true, but deeply and sincerely she laughs at him, and through him, at herself.

Was it a happy marriage? Well, it was the story of two people who loved each other and learned how to live together. The first part is easy enough; that last bit is where we seem to need lessons from the Denisons.

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"TAIPING"	Japan	19th Dec.	24th Dec.
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"AUTOMEDON"	Dublin & Liverpool	24th Dec.	24th Dec.
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G. "MENTOR"	28th Nov.	2nd Jan.	2nd Jan.
G. "AUTOLYUS"	4th Dec.	8th Jan.	8th Jan.
G. "PYRRHUS"	13th Dec.	17th Dec.	15th Jan.
G. "TANTALUS"	Sailed	21st Jan.	21st Jan.
G. "CLYTHEUS"	21st Dec.	25th Jan.	25th Jan.

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"BENBUCHAN"	do	29th Jan.	29th Jan.
"BENLEUCH"	do	14th Feb.	14th Feb.

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SHIP			
TO		DUE	
"BENATOW"	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hamburg	21st Jan.	21st Jan.
"BENVENUE"	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg & Hull	15th Dec.	15th Dec.
"BENLEUCH"	do	18th Feb.	18th Feb.
"BENMOH"	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hull	15th Jan.	15th Jan.
"BENRINNES"	Havre, Liverpool, Antwerp, Rotterdam & Hamburg	30th Jan.	30th Jan.
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THE FORWARD LINE IS AGAIN THE PROBLEM FOR INTERPORT HOCKEY TEAM SELECTORS

BY 'OBSERVER'

In preparation for this season's Interport match with Macao, which will take place at Macao sometime in February, the Hongkong Hockey Association held the first two trials on Sunday.

Altogether a disappointing standard of play was seen in these games, and if Hongkong are to break the deadlock in these Interport matches which have ended in a draw in the last two years, a much greater improvement will have to be shown in the succeeding trials.

The inability of the Police players, who were away in Macao, to take part in the trials and the consequent rearrangement of teams was one cause for the poor show. But the major one seemed to be the bumpy condition of the ground, which did not allow the players to give of their individual best. It is, indeed, a great pity that the standard of a game which commands such a big following of both men and women, and which ranks as one of the few truly amateur sports in the Colony, should greatly suffer from lack of a suitable ground.

One point which was again evident in the trials was the dearth of potential Interport forwards, and the abundance of better than average defence players. The choosing of a forward line, as in the past, will this season be the main headache of the Selection Committee.

NOT AT HIS BEST

Of last year's three Interport forwards, who were in action on Sunday, Gardner was not at his best, obviously still feeling the effects of the previous day's soccer match. The number of times, however, that he was checked by Nery and Reed when making his goal-scoring runs and the very little work done by the insides give, in my opinion, the suggestion that although Gardner appears to be an automatic choice for the centre-forward position, he will be more useful at inside left. Essentially a goal-scorer, he will then have the extra feeding from his centre-forward, for his scoring attempts. Humphreys was a tireless worker and although lacking a good hit inside the "D" should be tried again at inside right.

The centre-forward or the inside left is perhaps the hardest position to fill. A centre-forward who can judiciously distribute the ball to either flank and make openings for his insides, in addition to being a good first-timer and an opportunist, is the chief need of the Hongkong Interport team. Gerry Gosano last year showed promise of developing into one and should I think be tried.

Bertie Gosano, who last year played at outside right, was a dynamic player but roamed away from his position too much to be an ideal right wing. For this position, the two strongest contenders so far are Major Lambie and McMillen. Both are left back position will be another problem though not such a difficult one. Against a Macao team, a fast full-back is needed. So far in League matches and in the trials, one player who has shown consistent form at his position is young Lionel Xavier. A tendency to give "sticks" is his great handicap, but this can easily be overcome. Last year's Interport left back, CQMS Webb, is also still good for another year, but has to concede young Lionel a slightly greater speed in covering up.

From the selectors' point of view the choice of a goal-keeper is always a hard one. There seems to be very little difference among them in standard, and the times that they are tried during a match are

the choice for this position. McMillen of the RAF has a slight advantage in stick-work, which, however, at occasions tends to be unnecessary, holding up the whole forward line. One hand play is his greatest drawback.

If there was any new player who distinguished himself in these trials, it was Brown of the RAF at left wing. Half an hour in this position was sufficient to satisfy the spectators that here was a natural left winger, with fine stickwork. Given a good inside left like Gardner, his back-stick centres from the goal line could always result in goals.

For the intermediate positions, Willy Reed, veteran of many an Interport, is still without a peer, and will undoubtedly be again asked to lead the team in the pivotal position. Stamina-packed Baghat Singh, who also played last year, is good enough to be a repeat selection. There is a slight tendency for him to play out of position, bringing the ball across to the centre, and a greater concentration on marking the right wing, covering the left back and feeding more his left wing and inside left will enable him to give a much better performance. The right half berth is still an open one. Of the four right halves on Sunday, A. de Remedios, J. gave the best performance, but needs a little more experience in positional play. A. M. Alves or G. Walker are two of the other players, who deserve a try in this position.

COOL UNDER PRESSURE

On his present form, A. L. Nery will have no difficulty in retaining his place at right back. A pleasing improvement in his play was his greater coolness under pressure and keeping his stick as much as possible on the ground. The left back position will be another problem though not such a difficult one. Against a Macao team, a fast full-back is needed. So far in League matches and in the trials, one player who has shown consistent form at his position is young Lionel Xavier. A tendency to give "sticks" is his great handicap, but this can easily be overcome. Last year's Interport left back, CQMS Webb, is also still good for another year, but has to concede young Lionel a slightly greater speed in covering up.

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WEEK-END HOCKEY

The following are Hockey League fixtures for Saturday and Sunday, December 9 and 10:

FIRST DIVISION			
Men's League			
Saturday, December 9, at 2 p.m.			
H.K. Hockey Club v Royal Navy (King's Park) Umpire, A.M. Silva			
Army v R.A.F. (Sookumpoo) Umpire, M. Khan Singh and Bradley			
Sunday, December 10, at 11 a.m.			
Recreio "A" v Recreio "B" (Recreio) Umpire, A.B.P. Guest and F. J. de Almeida			
Police v Boundary Street Umpire, W/O J.G. Padley and DMS Han-nam			

SECOND DIVISION

Men's League			
Sunday, December 10, at 2.30 p.m.			
H.K. U. v Recreation "C" (Sookumpoo) Umpire, G.D. Gervinich and Mak-bao Singh			
Rovers v H.K.A.A.P. (H.N. No. 3 ground) Umpire, W/O K.O.M. Smith and S. de L. Williams			
Sunday, December 10, at 2.30 p.m.			
Greening v R.C.V.S. "A" (Police) Umpire, S. de L. Williams			
Makhan Singh and Bradley Umpire, H. Osmund and J. Franco			
H.K.U. v Dutch (H.K.U.) Umpire, H. Osmund and J. Franco			
Victorian v Derby (Sookumpoo) Umpire, K. Lee and A.C. Reed			

ARMY WIN

In a First Division League hockey match played at Boundary Street yesterday, Army beat Hongkong 3-1.

WEEK-END SOFTBALL

Full week-end Softball League programme with umpire and scorers is:

SATURDAY

Midnight League
10.30 a.m. St. Joseph's v Delaware
(Umpire George Pan).
12.00 noon Blackhawks v Lions
(Umpire George Pan).

Men's Junior League

2.00 p.m. Aces v Griffins
Falcons v Mustangs
(Umpire Ren Barretto; Scorer Irene Botelho).
3.30 p.m. Rexes v Spartans
(Umpire Gerry Pomeroy; Scorer Roberto Nunes).

Ladies League

3.30 p.m. White Fangs v Wahoes

SUNDAY

Men's Senior League

9.30 a.m. Pandas v Reds
(Don Robbins, George Pan, Ren Barretto; F. Barnes).
11.00 a.m. Dodgers v Americans
(Y.C. Mei, Wally Ma, Ray Tsao; Manuel Nunes).
2.00 p.m. St. Teresa's v Mad-caps
(F. Evans, Frank Cleary, R. McLane; Ren Barretto).

Men's Junior League

12.30 p.m. Wildfires v Dodgers
(Umpire Lionel Sequeira; Scorer E. Diesta).
South China v St. Teresa's
(Umpire Vic Pedruco; Scorer Hal Wingless).

LEAGUE TABLES

MEN'S SENIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Points
Blues:			
Braves	4	0	1,000
Canadians	4	2	800
Overseas	4	2	800
Pandas	4	2	800
Americans	3	4	420
Reds	1	4	200
Dodgers	0	0	000
Golds:			
Jaguars	6	1	857
South China	5	1	833
St. Joseph's	4	2	807
Madcaps	3	2	800
St. Teresa's	2	4	533
Panthers	1	5	167
Baseballers	0	6	000

MEN'S JUNIOR LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Points
Blues:			
Blackhawks	7	0	1,000
Delawares	6	2	750
St. Teresa's	5	3	625
Griffins	3	4	429
Aces	3	3	500
Falcons	2	4	250
Mustangs	1	5	167
South China	1	5	167
Golds:			
Rexes	6	0	1,000
Dragons	6	1	857
Wildfires	5	3	625
Wildfires	3	3	500
Dodgers	1	5	167
Spartans	1	5	167
Pandas	1	5	167

LADIES LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Points
Wahoes	6	0	1,000
St. Teresa's	6	1	857
Canadians	4	2	750
Squaws	4	3	751
Clovers	2	2	500
Pirates	1	5	167
White Fangs	0	7	000

ON THE RECORD
Hongkong Has Its Own
Redskin Reservation

The Indians are on the war-path again as the tattoo of tom-toms roll across the sunny wastes of the reservation, with the Braves and Squaws in full tribal dress going into a war dance, snoring down all opposition weekly in a struggle for the survival of the fittest.

All this need not prompt readers to make tracks for safer territory south of the border, for the reserve is confined to King's Park, and the war clubs scalp only with the only allegiance being to live up to the shirt-fronts of the Senior League Braves. Now adherents to the popular pastime of softball have expressed wonder at the strange names used by teams, particularly as most of these names bear no apparent connection with the players, either individually or collectively.

The origin of these names can be traced to some form of hero worship, especially from junior members who declare their allegiance by associating themselves with their favourites through the medium of similar names. The current league table sports several tribal names of North American Indians, and this practice really started with the Braves, now Senior League title holders, who broke into diamond activity in the minor loop several moons past.

The band of youths applied themselves after the famous professional baseball team of Boston, who were the first to start the "Redskins" and "Indians" names.



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s.s. "CORFU"	19th January	15th February	15th February
s.s. "CANTON"	16th February	12th March	12th March
s.s. "CHUBAN"	24th February	24th March	24th March
s.s. "CARTHAGE"	10th March	10th April	10th April
s.s. "CORFU"	13th April	14th May	14th May

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sails 16th Dec.		for Straits, Madras, Pondicherry, Colombo, Bombay, Karachi & Persian Gulf
s. s. "OLINDA"		from Japan
due 23rd Dec.		for Straits, Madras, Colombo, Bombay, Karachi & P. Gulf.
sails 24th Dec.		

£88,000,000 Yearly For War Pensions

The report of the Ministry of Pensions, states that the national total of pensions being paid for disablement in the last two wars was 1,047,423 and expenditure over the last year was £88,175,000, while Scotland, the largest region in area, has 103,060 pensioners.

There are 144,750 in the North-west and 177,980 in London. Of the 2,204 seriously disabled pensioners in the North-west, 323 live in the Manchester district,

and there are another 9,500 limbless pensioners.

The Minister of Pensions, Mr. H. H. Morrison, discussing the report at a press conference, referred to the "misleading" title of his Ministry. They had tried to develop its health and welfare sides, and its functions were much wider now than the name implied. Last year, for example, they had spent about £2,400,000 on behalf of the National Health Service.

Mr. Morrison said that 3,500 seriously disabled pensioners were now taking part in the homecrafts service introduced this year. It was too early to report progress in detail, but there was evidence that pensioners were deriving a good deal of benefit from it. There were many difficulties in the marketing of the goods produced, however, and as the success of the service would depend on their satisfactory disposal, close attention was being given to the problem.

GENEROUS

The report states that considerations on which policy has been based during the past year have been the generous and sympathetic treatment of those really needing help, "balanced with due regard to present financial stringency and the need for economy in all branches of state administration."

Most of the reduction in expenditure of £1,700,000 over the previous year was in the cost of medical treatment, and this was due to free provision under the National Health Service of treatment formerly paid for by the Ministry.

The reduction in the number of pensioners had not been reflected by a corresponding decrease in expenditure, and there had been a virtual increase of a present annual value of £6,700,000. For unemployment and lower standard of occupation, the increases in allowances paid amounted to £700,000. Expenditure on allowances for wives and children of pensioners had increased by £3,500,000 a year since 1946.

Rare cylindrical seals belonging to the late Bronze Age, about 1300 B.C., were found; they are made of stone and are about an inch long. They were used to mark household and other property, and each one carried the owner's personal mark. One seal was carved with two deer and a winged disc.

A "DARK AGE" TOOK OVER A TOWN

Alderman J. Henson, of Hull, formerly of the 10th, Bn., East Yorkshire Regiment, recalled at a recent old comrades' reunion that as a private in "A" Company he once took over a town for a few days and was the "governor."

He told them he was the only private in the British Army to act as Town Major. This was at St. Catherine when he was an orderly clerk. The real Town Major was hurriedly called away for some days and Pte. Henson took over.

Private Henson also claimed to have fired the first shot in the battalion after they left England in the 1914 war. They were on the Minnowaska bound for France, and Henson was on boat guard. By accident he fired his rifle and the shot went through the upper deck. There was an inquiry the next day, but Henson's explanation was accepted.

The reunion also heard a troopship story of a soldier who complained they were sick of feeding on dripping. "Dripping," mused a major. "Why? Webb trained on dripping and he swam the Channel in record time."

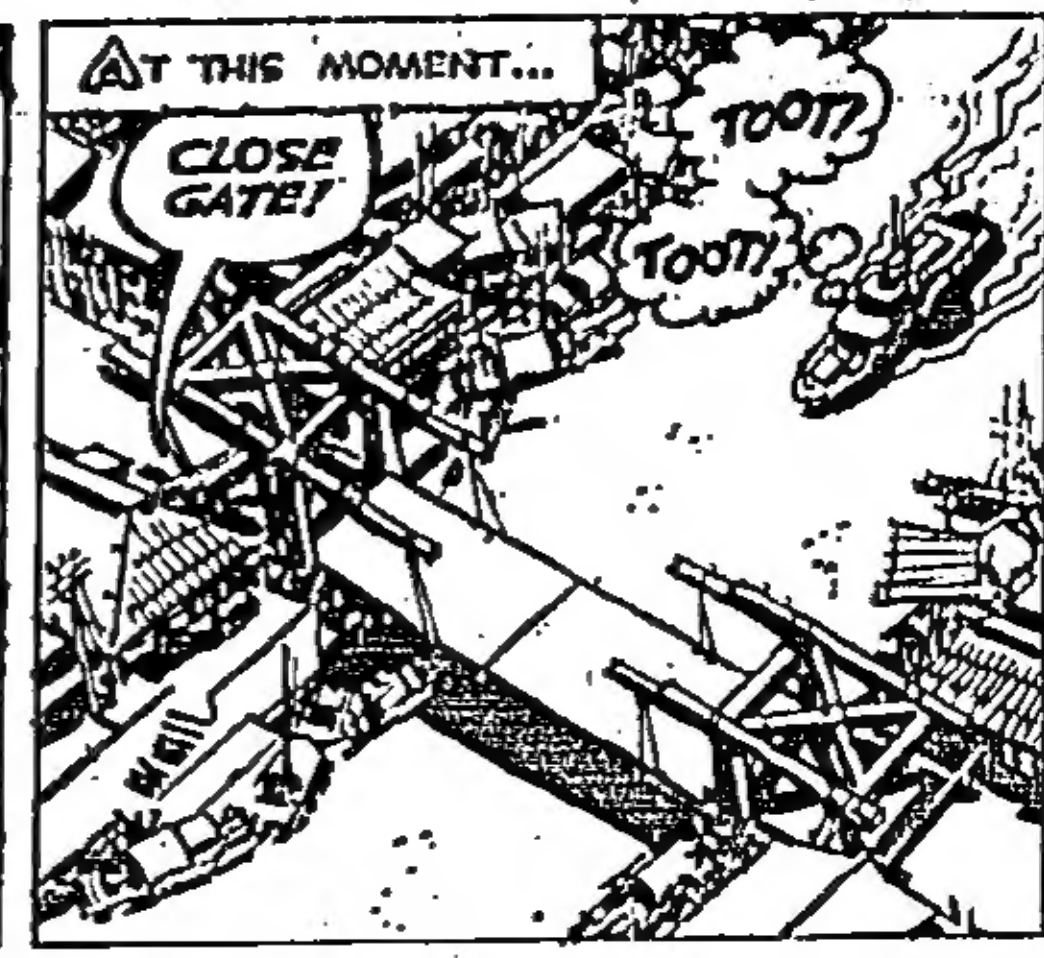
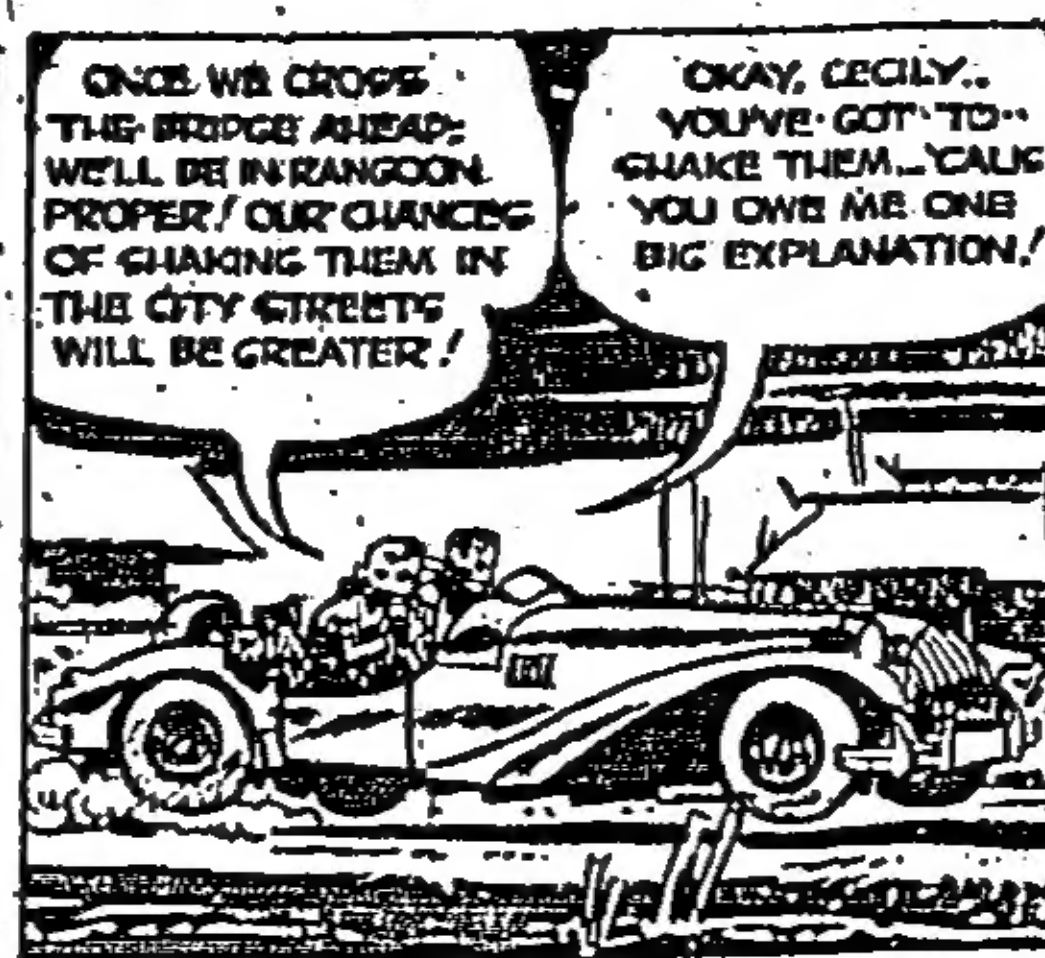
"Yes, Sir," said the soldier, "but I thought we were going across the Channel in a troopship, not that we were going to swim it!" The men still got dripping!

Snuffing Out The Cold

A successful attempt to reduce the loss of production caused by the common cold by insulating their workers with penicillin snuff is reported by Acacia and Pollock, Ltd. of Birmingham. It is claimed that if the workers who feel a cold coming on draw a packet of the snuff from the works' ambulance room and take it "as directed," the cold "just vanishes." The firm emphasizes that the snuff-taking will not cure a cold but will only prevent its developing.

The experiment has been in progress nearly two years, and the works medical officer states: "There is no doubt that this treatment has saved us a great deal of lost time and our employees a lot of discomfort. We are quite happy about the results and we are continuing the treatment. I know that it certainly stops me getting a cold."

JOHNNY HAZARD



BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

CANNOT a kind of figures, month by month, for the production of double axles. Bailey bridge be built across stationary traffic, so that irate citizens, held up in a jam, could climb out of their motionless vehicles and go on their way, clambering along on the top of the cabs, cars, and buses?

Prognosis: It would be easier to walk along the pavements.

Myself: Doubtless. But very soon traffic will spread over the pavements, and pedestrians will use the roofs of buildings to get from one place to another. Then people will begin to live in the jammed vehicles, until the Government throws them out and installs civil servants. By that time pedestrians will be using holes in the ground.

Prognosis: And then?

Myself: Fearful monsters will crowd out of the Thames and eat us all up.

Suet explains

C. SUET, Esq., has suggested that all vehicles should use a different road for each day of the week, to avoid congestion. When it was pointed out that whatever road they used on any given day would be jammed, Suet said, "Not if they went in opposite directions on alternate days." It was advanced that every day would be an alternate day to half the traffic going in one direction on one road. Suet said, "Not if half of the traffic which was half of the road on one day chose the other half of the road on the other half of the day." They then howled in desperation, and Suet laid his finger on his upper lip and blew down his nose.

Stockings made of arrowroot, meat made of asbestos and dried vermicelli, glass made of ground feathers and resin—these are some of the improvements which will be seen at the Willesden Exhibition of Substitute Materials next Tuesday. It will be opened by Sir Edward Turberville, who was for many years chairman of Turberville, Turberville and Turberville. A feature of the Exhibition will be a stand devoted to charts, showing the

Check Your Knowledge

1. Name the president of Czechoslovakia at the time of signing of the Munich agreement.
2. What is neutron?
3. Are lyrics the words or the music of a song?
4. Did the Germans enter Moscow when they invaded Russia in 1941?
5. Mindanao is an island in what group of islands?
6. What is the meaning of the phrase "per se"?

(Answers on Page 12)

POCKET CARTOON



DUMB BELLS



JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Lou Finds A Card At the Right Time

♠ 9853	♠ 28
♥ A1054	♥ 74
♦ 74	♦ 85
♣ 85	♣ 85
♠ 9853	♠ 28
♥ A1054	♥ 74
♦ 74	♦ 85
♣ 85	♣ 85
♠ 9853	♠ 28
♥ A1054	♥ 74
♦ 74	♦ 85
♣ 85	♣ 85

Opening lead—♦ J

By OSWALD JACOBY

"DON'T you know enough to take your tricks when they're offered to you," declarer asked disgustedly.

"Sorry," said Larceny Lou abjectly. "My cards were stuck, and I couldn't find that queen of spades to save my life."

Of course the card became unstuck very quickly a few moments later when Larceny Lou really needed that queen of spades.

Lou, holding the West cards, opened the jack of diamonds. Declarer put up dummy's queen. East covered with the king, and South won with the ace.

Now declarer was in some difficulty. He realised that he might have to lose two trump tricks and therefore could not afford to lose two diamonds. Instead of relying completely on a successful finesse for the queen of trumps, South decided to lead out his three top clubs in the hope of discarding a diamond from dummy. This plan would work if each opponent had three clubs and it would cost nothing important if the spade finesse should succeed.

When South led his third top club, Lou did a little fast thinking. It was evident that South had started the hand with five clubs and four spades. His eagerness to get rid of a diamond from dummy made it clear that he had three diamonds in his own hand, as well as in the dummy. Therefore South could have only one heart.

Lou could see that his side could win nothing in hearts or clubs and therefore needed four tricks in spades and diamonds combined. If he trumped with the queen, dummy's diamond. The defence would then be able to take only one diamond, and East could hardly be expected to take two trump tricks in addition to Lou's queen.

Lou therefore ruffed with the eight of spades instead of with the queen.

Dummy over-ruffed with the nine, and now declarer was back where he had started. He still had to lose two diamond tricks and had to play the trumps so as to lose only one trump trick. He led a small trump from dummy. East played low, and South misguessed, by finessing the jack.

Lou pounced on this trick with the queen of spades and cashed his two diamonds. Later on, of course, East took the ace of spades for the setting trick.

BARBS

It's embarrassing to give presents nowadays. People can find out the cost from the price control list.

It takes all kinds of people to make a blonde.

The modern girl makes a good mother. But a poor father.

It takes two to make a bargain, but only one gets it.

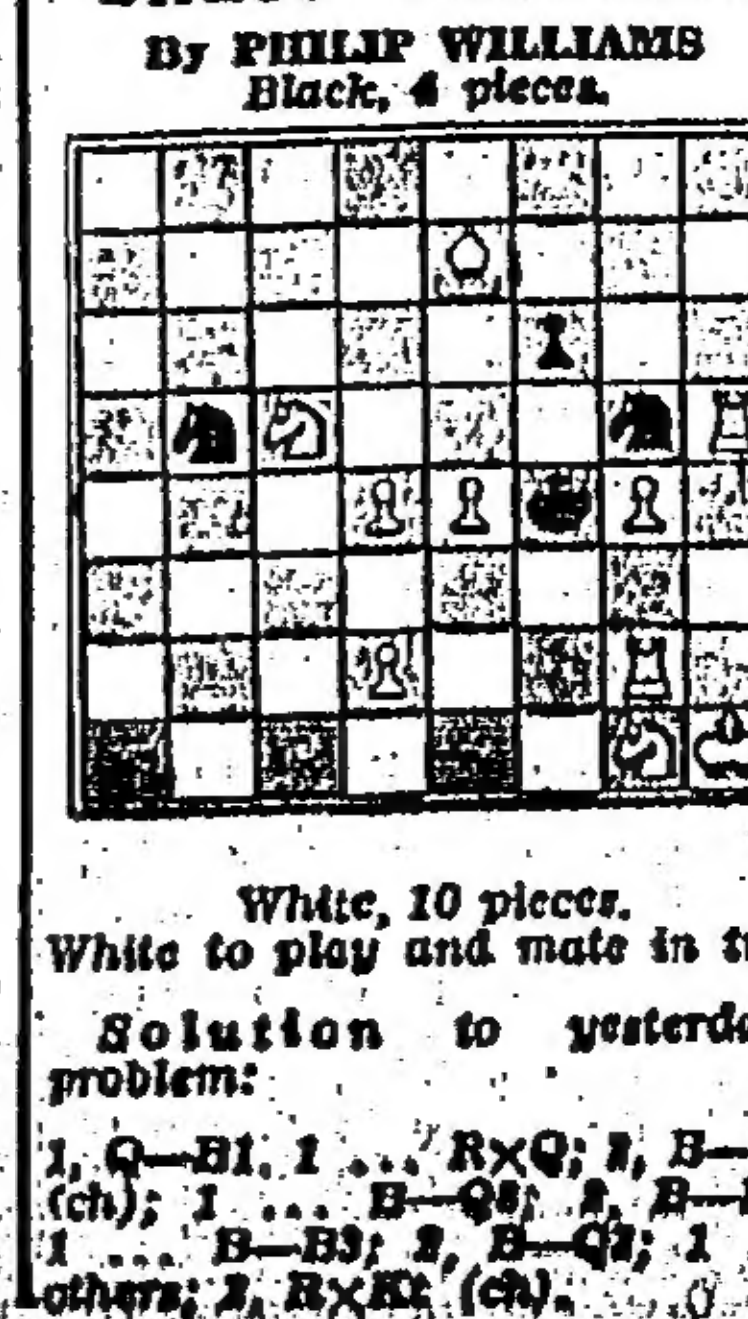
INTELLIGENCE TEST

ART KNOWS NO FRONTIERS

By T. O. HARE

In a recent exhibition at the Victoria Galleries, a group of thoroughly bewildering and completely new pictures painted by one of the most famous and ablest of the modern artists, each artist contributed two masterpieces. The purpose of the exhibition was to show the world that art knows no frontiers. The exhibition was a great success, and the artists were highly praised for their work.

CHESS PROBLEM



MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

ARRIVALS	15th Dec.
"AURAY" from Japan	15th Dec.
"BEAUVAIS" from Europe	20th Dec.
SAILINGS	
PASSENGER/FREIGHT SERVICE	
"FELIX ROUSSEL" to Marseilles via Manila	10th Jan.
"LA MARSEILLAISE" to Yokohama & Kobe	25th Jan.
"LA MARSEILLAISE" to Marseilles via Manila	5th Feb.
FREIGHT SERVICE	
"AURAY" to N. Africa & Europe	16th Dec.
"BEAUVAIS" to N. Africa & Europe	16th Dec.
PORT SAID, TUNIS, MARSEILLES, ALGIERS, ORAN, TANGIER, CASABLANCA, HAVRE, DUNKERQUE, ANTWERP & ROTTERDAM	
"AURAY" to Saigon	16th Dec.
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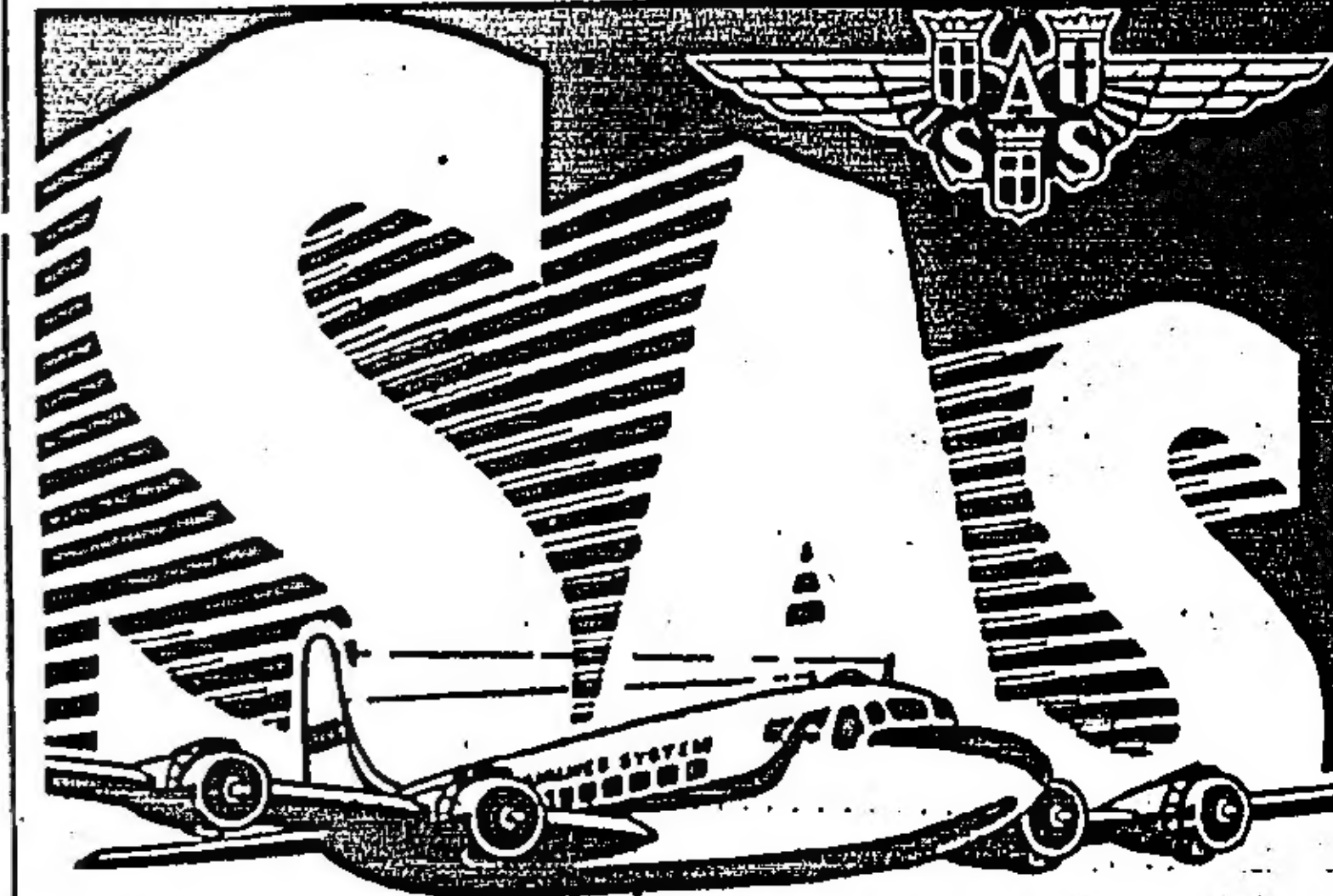
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